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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE OFFICERS OF THE

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1926

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1926-1927

Moderator
William G. Moseley

Town Clerk
Clarence E. Foss

Selectmen
Alfred J. Mercer, *Chairman*
William P. Brown, *Clerk* — Henry D. Blackman

Assessors
Charles W. Woodbury, *Chairman*, 1927
Arthur Godfrey, 1928 — George W. Holt, 1929

Department of Public Welfare
Evan C. Thorpe, *Chairman*, 1927
Susan W. Fiske, 1928 — Alfred T. Baker, 1929

Collector of Taxes
Henry Godfrey, Jr.

Town Treasurer
Charles E. Stanwood

Constables
George Twigg — Edward A. Daley, Jr.

School Committee
Harold R. Waining, *Chairman*, 1927
Joseph Satterlee, 1927 — Warren W. Loomis, 1928
G. Waldo Crawley, 1928 — J. Walter Schirmer, 1929
Harry H. Bruns, 1929

Water Commissioners
Philip A. Rand, *Chairman*, 1929
Henry Thomas, 1927 — Charles W. Jones, 1928*

Trustees Memorial Park
T. J. Crossman, Jr., Chairman, 1927
Roscoe A. Carter, 1928 — Wallace G. Rae, 1929
Amos H. Shepherdson, 1928 — Oscar H. Starkweather, 1929

Trustees of Public Library
George K. Clarke, *Chairman*, 1929
Robert B. Walker, 1927 — Edith C. May, 1928
A. L. Parker, 1927 — J. Merrill Boyd, 1928
Benjamin W. Chase, 1929

Tree Warden
George Twigg

*Vacant, removed from Town.

Park Commissioners

Preston Mitchell, *Chairman*, 1929
I. Tucker Burr, 1927 Frederick S. Kingsbury, 1928

Highway Surveyors and Town Agents

Alfred J. Mercer
William P. Brown Henry D. Blackman

Surveyors of Lumber

Alfred Parker Howard A. Flewelling

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Joseph Willett James H. Whetton

Town Planning Board

Laurence S. Caldwell, *Chairman*, 1931
G. D. Herdman, 1927 Arthur Rohn, 1929
Harold B. Church, 1928 Ernest B. Allen, 1930

Commissioners of Trust Funds

Arnold McIntosh, 1927 C. Gordon Brownville, 1928
Preston Mitchell, 1929

Public Weighers

Joseph Willett
Armand J. Mathey
Alexander McKay
James H. Whetton
Bertha E. Coburn
Arthur H. Whetton
Nellie Burkett
William G. Price
Henry K. Morse
Nicholas A. O'Brien
Frederick A. Whetton
John Beahan
John A. McWade

APPOINTED

Registrars of Voters

William C. Payne, *Chairman*, 1929
Charles M. Donahue, 1927 Colin Rae, 1928
Clarence E. Foss, *ex-officio*

Finance Committee

Samuel H. Wragg, *Chairman*, 1928
Eben W. Smith, 1927 Fred L. Donahue, 1928
Edward L. Morss, *Secretary*, 1927 John A. Keith, 1929
Fred L. Greely, 1927 Alger E. Eaton, 1929
Carlton A. Perry, 1928 Brad Stevens, 1929

Sewerage Committee

George A. Lord Edward Seaver
N. LeRoy Hammond* Arthur W. Littlehale

Superintendent of Streets

John H. Overton

Superintendent of Schools

John C. Davis

Superintendent of Water Department

George A. Adams

*Resigned.

Town Accountant
Clarence E. Foss

Agent and Clerk for Department of Public Welfare
Francis J. Stanwood

Inspector of Buildings
H. H. Upham

Inspector of Cattle and Provisions
Samuel O. Fowle, M. D. V.

Superintendent of Fire Alarm
T. Robert Quinlan

Forest Warden
H. Howard Upham

Deputy Forest Wardens

Dana L. Southworth
Charles G. Robinson
Wade Hampton
William B. Colter
William S. Cassidy
George Webster
Edward Daly

Agent of the Board of Health
H. E. Berger, Jr., Address, Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Engineers of the Fire Department
T. Robert Quinlan
George W. Holt
Dana L. Southworth

Inspector of Wires
Joseph Alexander

Constable
Samuel H. Wragg

Janitor of the Town Hall
William G. Price

Sealer of Weights and Measures
William H. Stanton

Dog Officer
William H. Stanton

Police
Norman Mackenzie, *Chief*

Charles G. Robinson
Arthur P. Bliss
Forbes A. MacLeod
Frank O. Haddock
William H. Knowles
Frank E. Taylor
Edward L. Wainwright

Special Police Officers

William W. Hewett
G. Gilbert Toone
Edward Daly
John W. Coppinger
Arthur H. Whetton
Walter K. Queen
Armand J. Mathey
James F. Daly
George Twigg
William H. Stanton
William S. Cassidy, Jr.
J. Fred Gehling
Julius F. Haller
George H. Hutchins
Samuel H. Wragg
James H. Whetton
Frank O'Leary
Dana L. Southworth
Charles E. Stanwood
John C. Nute, Jr.
John W. Riley
Charles D. Burrage
John A. Keith
Walter Mills
William B. Perlin
Frank Godfrey
Philip Simon
Michael Murphy

Agent for Enforcement of Workmen's Compensation

Clarence E. Foss

Special Committees Under Warrant of March 8, 1926

ARTICLE 29

Daniel L. Smith
Roscoe A. Carter
Lloyd K. Allen
Leonard Dawson
Charles M. Donahue
Alfred P. Hartshorn
Jerry Bond
Herbert L. Moore

Fred L. Greely

ARTICLE 44

Irving H. Cowdrey
Allan D. McIntosh

George Twigg

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

Town Clerk's Record

OF THE

Annual Election of Town Officers

March 8

AND

Annual Town Meeting

March 15, 1926

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NEEDHAM TOWN RECORDS

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, March 8, 1926

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Needham, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Comonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the town of Needham qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said town on **Monday, the Eighth Day of March, 1926,** at forty-five minutes past five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following article, viz:

Article 1. To choose by ballot the following town officers: One moderator for one year; one town clerk for one year; three selectmen for one year; one member of department of public welfare for three years; one assessor for three years; one town treasurer for one year; one collector of taxes for one year; two constables for one year; two members of the school committee for three years; two members of the school committee for two years (to fill vacancy;) one water commissioner for three years; two trustees of the public library for three years; one park commissioner for three years; one tree warden for one year; two Memorial Park trustees for three years; one commissioner of trust funds for three years; one member of town planning board for five years;

And upon the same ballot to vote yes or no upon the following question: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four entitled 'An Act placing the Chief of Police and members of the Police Department of the Town of Needham under civil service' be accepted?"

And on **Monday, the Fifteenth Day of March, 1926,** at seven-thirty o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 2. To choose and appoint all other necessary Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine.

Article 3. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article 4. To see what action the town will take relative to unexpended balances and deficiencies of 1925.

Article 5. To see what disposition the town will make of the money received from dog licenses.

Article 6. To see what sums of money the town will appropriate for the necessary town charges and expenses.

Article 7. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the current financial year.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take relative to the salaries of its town officers.

Article 9. To see in what manner the town will have its taxes collected and fix the compensation therefor for the current year.

Article 10. To see if the town will accept Prince Street from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk, on petition of Willard E. Doane and others.

Article 11. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $8500 for the construction of Prince Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 12. To see if the town will accept Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Morningside Road, so called, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk, on petition of Austin R. Stiles and others.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the construction of Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Morningside Road, so-called, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 14. To see if the town will accept Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk, on petition of Frances E. McPhail and others.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the construction of Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to relocate, alter and widen Nehoiden Street from Great Plain Avenue to Central Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or take any action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to relocate, alter and widen Highland Avenue and Hunnewell Street at their intersection, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 18. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $15,000 for the construction of Central Avenue, provided the County or the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, allot an amount equal to one half of this appropriation for said construction, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $10,000 for the construction of main drains or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 20. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the construction of a gravel sidewalk on Great Plain Avenue from Prince Street to Greendale Avenue, or take any action relating thereto, on petition of Thomas B. Taber and others.

Article 21. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install three street lights on Pinewood Road on petition of A. E. Williams and others.

Article 22. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install two street lights on Prospect Street, on petition of Charles Webber and others.

Article 23. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install two street lights on Upland Road on petition of Mabel A. Fuller.

Article 24. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install two street lights on Morley Street, on petition of Charles H. Farnham and others.

Article 25. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install three street lights on Washington Avenue, westerly from Great plain Avenue, on petition of William Regan and others.

Article 26. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install four street lights on Wiltshire Park, on petition of Wilbert G. Blades and others.

Article 27. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install five street lights on Hampton Avenue, on petition of Edward A. Daley, Jr., and others.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 97 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws relative to the establishing of a police department on petition of Samuel H. Wragg.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee of five to investigate the desirability of establishing a public works department, and report at the next special town meeting, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto on petition of Samuel H. Wragg.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to amend Article IV of the by-laws by adding thereto the following section: "Section1A. No person shall own or keep in this town any dog which by biting, barking, howling or in any other manner disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person," on petition of Katherine W. Cowdery and others.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to amend Article IV Section 13 of its by-laws by striking out the first sentence and substituting in the place thereof the following; "Every owner, tenant, occupant or agent in charge of a building or lot of land abutting upon a sidewalk constructed of tar or granolithic in any street, place or way shall cause the snow to be removed from such sidewalk within twenty-four hours after such snow has ceased to fall."

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to elect by ballot a board of health consisting of three members in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41 Section 1 of the General Laws, on petition of J. Walter Schirmer and others.

Article 33. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the construction of particular sewers and house connections.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to have receipts from sewer assessments and payments made in lieu thereof kept in a separate fund, no part of said fund to be expended except by vote of the town, or pass any vote or votes relative to said receipts and payments.

Article 35. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) to extend the water mains, under a six percent ten year guarantee, to the property being developed as follows: Oak Hill by the McIntosh heirs, Tower Hill by W. H. Carter and Babson Park by the Babson Park Company.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to issue its notes or bonds to an amount not exceeding fifteen thousand ($15,000) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 Section 4 of the General Laws for the purpose specified in Article 35, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote in favor of placing the Revolutionary Soldiers' lot in the Needham Cemetery under "Perpetual Care" and appropriate the sum of $2,000 for this purpose, or take any vote or votes relative thereto on petition of Frederick S. Kingsbury and others.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to change from a general residential district to a business district, the district on the westerly side of Pickering Street, begining with the premises now occupied by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and extending southerly to Great Plain Avenue.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to change from a business zone to a general residence zone the area on both sides of Chestnut Street lying between School and Cottage Streets and at present zoned for business, on petition of Arthur P. Bliss and others.

Article 40. To see if the town will amend Section 20 of the zoning by-law by adding thereto, at the end thereof, the following sentence: "In a business district no building shall be constructed or altered so that the nearest point of the building including steps shall be nearer than three feet to the street line."

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to amend its zoning by-law so that the area at Hurd's corner, so called, bounded generally northerly by Central Avenue, easterly by Webster Street, southerly and westerly by land of the Town of Needham and land now or formerly of Hodge, by zoning said area as in the business district, on petition of John A. Keith and others.

Article 42. To see if the town will vote to change to a business district a certain section, now zoned by the zoning ordinance as a single residence district, and bounded as follows:—Southerly by land of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, and abutting said company's tracks about 112 feet; westerly by Warren Street about 86 feet; northerly by land of Carleton G. McIntosh about 112 feet and easterly by land of Bleakney about 60 feet; on petition of Carleton G.. McIntosh and others.

Article 43. To see if the town will amend its zoning by-laws so that the area bordered north by Wellesley and Newton lines; east by property of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad; south by Webster Street; west by Cedar Street, shall be zoned in the General Residence District, on petition of Alfred P. Hartshorn and others.

Article 44. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $300 for the establishment of a town nursery under the charge of a committee of three to be appointed by the Selectmen for the purpose of the propagation and growth of shade trees for public use.

Article 45. To see if the town will vote to have the reports of its officers, the proceedings of this and subsequent town meetings printed or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in not less than twenty public places in said town at least seven days before said meeting and to leave a copy at each of the several dwelling houses within said town.

Here of fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, unto our Town Clerk, on or before said day and hour.

Given under our hands at Needham aforesaid, this 16th day of February, A. D. 1926.

LESLIE B. CUTLER,
ALLSTON R. BOWERS,
ALFRED J. MERCER,
Selectmen of Needham.

Needham, February 27, 1926.

Norfolk, ss..

By virtue of this warrant, I have this day, notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Needham to meet as within directed, by posting true and attested copies of this warrant, in not less than twenty public places in said Town, more than seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

GEORGE TWIGG,
Constable of Needham.

A true copy of warrant and Officer's return.

Attest:

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 8, 1926

Pursuant of the foregoing warrant a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Needham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, was held in the Town Hall in said town on Monday, March 8, 1926, at forty-five minutes past five o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator.

Voted, To omit reading the articles in the warrant.

The return of the officer who notified and warned the inhabitants was read by the Town Clerk.

Voted, To proceed to ballot for the following town officers viz:

Article 1. To choose by ballot the following town officers: One moderator for one year; one town clerk for one year; three selectmen for one year; one member of department of public welfare for three years; one assessor for three years; one town treasurer for one year; one collector of taxes for one year; two constables for one year; two members of the school committee for three years; two members of the school committee for two years (to fill vacancy;) one water commissioner for three years; two trustees of the public library for three years; one park commissioner for three years; one tree warden for one year; two Memorial Park trustees for three years; one commissioner of trust funds for three years; one member of town planning board for five years;

And upon the same ballot to vote yes or no upon the following question: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four entitled 'An Act placing the Chief of Police and members of the Police Department of the Town of Needham under civil service' be accepted?"

Pursuant to Chapter 54, Section 21, of the General Laws the Selectmen having appointed Margaret O. Chase, Mary E. Fitzgerald, Myra R. Kingsbury, Mabel E. Mason, J. F. Buckley, James F. Ryan, Charles M. Donahue and John S. Chandler as tellers they were sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties by the Moderator.

The ballots prepared for use at this election by the Town Clerk were then delivered to the ballot clerks and their receipt taken therefor.

Cards of instruction and speciment ballots were posted as required by Chapter 54, Section 48 of the General Laws.

The ballot box was publicly opened by the Moderator and shown to be empty. The box was then locked and the

key delivered to George Twigg, the officer in attendance.

The polls were opened at forty-five minutes past five in the forenoon and kept open until eight o'clock in the afternoon.

Additional tellers were appointed by the Moderator as required by Chapter 54 Section 48, of the General Laws as follows: E. Maude Bryer, Josephine Bois, Florence R. Connors, W. E. Connors, Della A. Beal, Edith M. Chandler, Annie L. Hamilton, Gertrude W. Queen, Elizabeth M. Brownville, Lillian T. Littlehale, William C. Payne, Colin Rae, Abraham Cohan, Walter K. Queen, Samuel Kingsbury, Joseph Corrigan, Winthrop M. Quinlan, Jerry Bond, Vera C. Halstead, James A. Fitzgerald, William B. Perlin, Helen A. Bond, S. Mabel Mackenzie, Gertrude E. Hamilton, Willis L. Brownville, and Irving Dawson and they were severally sworn.

As the ballots were taken from the box they were audibly counted by the Moderator, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, five hundred and fifty ballots were taken from the box, at two o'clock in the afternoon five hundred and fifty ballots were taken from the box, at five o'clock five hundred and fifty ballots were taken from the box and at eight o'clock, when the poll was declared closed by the Moderator, seven hundred and ninety ballots were taken from the box making the total number of ballots cast two thousand four hundred and forty (2,440).

The total number of votes cast by men, fourteen hundred (1400) and by women ten hundred and forty (1040).

A canvass of all votes given was made as required by law. Upon the completion of the canvass of all votes cast the results of the voting was delcared by the Moderator to be as follows, viz:—

For Moderator

William G. Mosely	1834
Harry L. Thompson	22
Blanks	584

and William G. Moseley was declared elected Moderator for one year.

For Town Clerk

Clarence E. Foss.	1881
Blanks	559

and Clarence E. Foss was declared elected Town Clerk for one year.

For Selectmen

Henry D. Blackman	1323
William P. Brown	1266
Leslie B. Cutler	627
Julius F. Haller	808
George H. Hassam	298
Alfred J. Mercer	1242
Joe V. R. Shepherd	189
Winthrop M. Southworth	605
Blanks	962

and Henry D.. Blackman, William P. Brown and Alfred J. Mercer were declared elected Selectmen for one year.

For Assessors (for three years)

George W. Holt	1607
Harold H. March	608
Blanks	225

and George W. Holt was declared elected Assessor for three years.

For Department of Public Welfare (for three years)

Alfred T. Baker	1764
Blanks	676

and Alfred T. Baker was declared elected a member of the Department of Public Welfare for three years.

For Town Treasurer

Charles E.. Stanwood	1869
Blanks	571

and Charles E. Stanwood was declared elected Town Treassurer for one year.

For Collector of Taxes

Henry Godfrey Jr.,	1931
Blanks	509

and Henry Godfrey, Jr., was declared elected Tax Collector for one year.

For Tree Warden

George Twigg	1847
Blanks	593

and George Twigg was declared elected Tree Warden for one year.

For Constables

Edward A. Daley, Jr.,	1695
George Twigg	1799
Blanks	1386

and Edward A. Daley, Jr., and George Twigg were declared elected Constables for one year.

For School Committee (for three years)

Harry H. Bruns	1693
J. Walter Schirmer	1661
Blanks	1526

and Harry H. Bruns and J. Walter Schirmer were declared elected members of the School Committee for three years.

For School Committee (for two years to fill vacancies)

G. Waldo Crawley	1667
Warren W. Loomis	1676
Letty Proctor	3
Blanks	1534

and G. Waldo Crawley and Warren W. Loomis were declared elected members of the School Committe for two years.

For Water Commissioner (for three years)

Philip A. Rand 1741
Blanks 699
and Philip A. Rand was declared elected Water Commissioner for three years.

For Trustees of Public Library (for three years)

Benjamin W. Chase 1687
George K. Clarke 1671
Blanks 1522
and Benjamin W. Chase and George K. Clarke were declared elected Trustes of the Public Library for three years.

For Trustees of Memorial Park (for three years)

Wallace G.. Rae 1703
Oscar H. Starkweather 1712
Blanks 1465
and Wallace G. Rae and Oscar H. Starkweather were declared elected Trustees of Memorial Park for three years.

For Park Commissioner (for three years)

Preston Mitchell 1809
Blanks 631
and Preston Mitchell was declared elected Park Commissioner for three years.

For Town Planning Board (for five years)

Laurence S. Caldwell 1607
Blanks 833
and Laurence S. Caldwell was declared elected a member of the Town Planning Board for five years.

For Commissioner of Trust Funds (for three years)

Preston Mitchell 1753
Blanks 687
and Preston Mitchell was declared elected Commissioner of Trust Funds for three years.

Upon the question; "Shall an Act passed by the General Court in the year Nineteen hundred and twenty-four, entitled 'An Act placing the chief of police and members of the police department of the Town of Needham under civil service' be accepted?" the result was as follows:

Yes, ... 976
No 947
Blanks 517
and the Act was declared accepted.

Immediately after the election the Town Clerk was sworn to the faithful performance of his duties by the Moderator and immediately afterwards the Moderator was sworn to his duties by the Town Clerk.

After the results of the vote had been declared, the ballots cast, the undistributed ballots, and also the check lists were sealed up, endorsed by the election officers and placed in the custody of the Town Clerk.

Adjourned 11 P. M., Monday, March 8, 1926.

Attest:

CLARENCE E. FOSS.,
Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS

March 15, 1926

Pursuant of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the town of Needham, qualified to vote in town affairs, met in the Town Hall in said town on Monday March 15, 1926, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

William G. Moseley, Moderator, in the chair

Margaret O. Chase, Myra R. Kingsbury, Charles M. Donahue, George W. Holt, and Dana L. Southworth were appointed checkers by the Board of Selectmen and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. Check lists were used and 151 women and 380 men were checked on the lists as being present, a total of 531 voters.

The warrant and the return of the officer who served the same was read.

Proceeded to take up the articles under the warrant.

Article 2. To choose and appoint all other necessary Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine.

Under this article the following town officers were elected:

Highway Surveyors and Town Agents: Alfred J. Mercer, William P. Brown and Henry D. Blackman.

Surveyors of Lumber: Alfred Parker and Howard A. Flewelling.

Measurers of Wood and Bark: Joseph Willett, James H. Whetton.

Public Weighers: Joseph Willett, Armand J. Mathey, Alexander McKay, James H. Whetton, Arthur H. Whetton, Bertha E. Coburn, Nellie Burkett, William G. Price, Henry K. Morse, Nicholas A. O'Brien, John Beahan and Frederick A. Whetton.

The moderator appointed as members of the Finance Committee to serve for three years: Alger E. Eaton, John A. Keith, Brad Stephens.

Article 3. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Harold W. Loker offered a report for the committee appointed under Article 44 of the Town Meeting of March 16, 1925; It was voted that the report of the committee be accepted as a report of progress and that the present

committee be continued and instructed to make a final report with their recommendations at a special town meeting to be called before May 1, 1926.

Alfred T. Baker offered a report for the committee appointed under Article 47 of the same town meeting; it was voted;—that the committte on insurance be continued, to further report with recommendations at the special town meeting called to consider the recommendations of Municipal Building Housing Committee.
Irving H. Cowdrey's report for the committee under Article 43 of same town meeting was accepted and action taken under Article 44 of this meeting.

Article 4. To see what action the town will take relative to unexpended balances and deficiencies of 1925.

Voted, That all unexpended balances of 1925 appropriations be returned to the Treasury, except the balance of 1925 appropriation for the Sewerage Committee amounting to twenty-five hundred thirty dollars and twenty-nine cents ($2530.29) and the balance of 1925 approproation for the Charles River Street bridge amounting to five thousand dollars ($5000), and that said balances be continued for the year 1926.

Voted; That the sum of fifteen thousand one hundred ($15,100) dollars be appropriated for deficiencies and overdrafts in 1925.

Article 5. To see what disposition the town will make of the money received from dog licenses.

Voted, That the money received from Dog Licenses, namely, nine hundred ninety-two dollars and thirty cents ($992.30), be appropriated for the use of the Public Library.

Article 6. To see what sums of money the town will appropriate for the necessary town charges and expenses.

Under this article the following appropriations were made, each item being voted on separately, viz:

Voted, That the sum of twenty-four houdred ten dollars ($2,410) be appropriated for the Selectmen's Department.

Voted, That the sum of eighteen hundred fifty dollars ($1,850) be appropriated for the Accounting Department.

Voted, That the sum of thirteen hundred seventy-five dollars ($1,375) be appropriated for the Treasurer's Department.

Voted, That the sum of two hundred fifty dollars ($250) be appropriated for the Finance Committee.

Voted, That the sum of twenty-seven hundred fifty dollars ($2,750) be appropriated for the Tax Collector's Department.

Voted, That the sum of fifty-seven hundred and four dollars ($5,704) be appropriated for the Assessor's Department, forty-one hundred forty-four dollars ($4,144) of which shall be for salaries of the board and the clerk to the board, and fifteen hundred sixty dollars $1,560) shall be for expenses.

Voted, That the sum of eight hundred dollars ($800) be appropriated for the Town Clerk's Department.

Voted, That the sum of fourteen hundred dollars ($1,400) be appropriated for Election and Registration expenses .

Voted, That the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) be appropriated for the Board of Survey.

Voted, That the sum of thirty-three hundred twenty-five dollars ($3,325) be appropriated for Town Hall and Grounds.

Voted, That the sum of eighteen thousand eight hundred sixty-two dollars ($18,862) be appropriated for the Police Department, sixteen thousand nine hundred forty-one dollars ($16,941) of which shall be for salaries, and nineteen hundred twenty-one dollars ($1,921) of which shall be for maintenance and equipment.

Voted, That the sum of twenty-three thousand one hundred fifty-seven dollars ($23,,157) be appropriated for the Fire Department, eighteen thousand one hundred twenty dollars ($18,120) of which shall be for salaries of the Department and Board of Fire Engineers, thirty-five hundred dollars ($3,500) of which shall be for Fire Department maintenance and equipment, and fifteen hundred thirty-seven dollars ($1,537) shall be for the maintenance of the Fire Alarm system.

Voted, That the sum of one hundred forty-five dollars ($145) be appropriated for the Forest Warden's Department.

Voted, That the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) be appropriated for the Tree Warden's Department.

Voted, That the sum if twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500) be appropriated for the Inspection Department.

Voted, That the sum of five thousand dollars ($5000) be appropriated for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths, three thousand dollars ($3,000) of which shall be for work on public property, and two thousand dollars ($2,000) of which shall be for work on private property.

Voted, That the sum of forty-two hundred forty-six dollars ($4,246) be appropriated for the Board of Health.

Voted, That the sum of eighteen hundred dollars ($1,800) be appropriated for the removal of garbage.

Voted, That the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred dollars ($13,500) be appropriated for the Department of Public Welfare.

Voted, That the sum of eleven hundred dollars ($1,100) be appropriated, three hundred dollars ($300) of which shall be for State Aid, three hundred dollars ($300) of which shall be for Military Aid, and five hundred dollars ($500) of which shall be for Soldiers' Relief.

Voted, That the sum of forty-five thousand dollars ($45,000) be appropriated for the Highway Department.

Voted, That the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred dollars ($13,500) be appropriated for sidewalks, thirty-five hundred dollars ($3,500) of which shall be for general construction and repairs, and ten thousand dollars ($10,000) of which shall be for permanent construction under the Betterment Act and not less than one-half of which shall be assessed as betterments and paid by the abutters.

Voted, That the sum of twelve thousand six hundred dollars ($12,600) be appropriated for Snow Removal.

Voted, That the sum of eighteen thousand dollars ($18,000) be appropriated for Street Lighting.

Voted, That the sum of one hundred seventy-nine thousand four hundred eighty-four dollars ($179,484), together with the income from the Dwight School Fund, be appropriated for the School Department.

Voted, That the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500) be appropriated for the tuition of vocational pupils.

Voted, That the sum of sixty one hundred and five ($6,105) dollars be appropriated for the Public Library.

Voted, That the sum of thirty-one hundred fifty dollars ($3,150) be appropriated for parks, eleven hundred fifty

dollars ($1,150) of which shall be for the Park Commissioners' Department, and two thousand dollars ($2,000) of which shall be for the Trustees of Memorial Park.

Voted, That the sum of seventeen thousand three hundred dollars ($17,300) be appropriated for the Sewerage Committee.

Voted, That the sum of four hundred dollars ($400) be appropriated for the Town Planning Board.

Voted, That the sum of thirty-six hundred ninety-eight dollars and ninety-four cents ($3,698.94) be appropriated for the Town's assessments for the maintenance of the Norfolk County Hospital.

Voted, That the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) be appropriated for the observance of Memorial Day.

Voted, That the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) be appropriated for interest on temporary loans.

Voted, That the sum of seventy-four thousand seven hundred and eight dollar ($74,708) be appropriated for municipal indebtedness, twenty-six thousand three hundred and eight dollars ($26,308) of which shall be for interest on funded loans, and forty-eight thousand four hundred dollars ($48,400) of which shall be for bonds maturing in 1926.

Voted, That the sum of twelve thousand one hundred sixty-six dollars and seventy-five cents ($12,166.75) be appropriated for printing and distributing Town Reports, expense of dog officer, certification of Town notes, engineer's fees, legal expenses, and damage awards.

Voted, That the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500) be appropriated for the Reserve Fund.

Article 7. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the current financial year.

Voted, That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1926, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year. Vote declared unanimous.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take relative to the salaries of its town officers.

Voted, That the salaries of all elected Town officers be the same as in 1925.

Article 9. To see in what manner the town will have its taxes collected and fix the compensation therefor for the current year.

Voted, That all poll and personal property taxes shall be paid on demand, and all other taxes on or before the first day of October, 1926.

Interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum shall be charged from October 15, 1926, on all taxes not paid on or before the first day of November, 1926. The Collector shall use the means provided by law for the collection of all taxes remaining unpaid after the first day of December, 1926.

(The above shall be printed on the tax bills.)

If in the judgment of the Collector, in consequence of removal, or any other circumstance, any tax should be collected before the first day of October he is fully authorized to serve his warrant in the collection of such tax at any time.

The Collector shall guarantee to collect the full amount of all taxes legally assessed and committed to him for collection (except such sums as may be abated by the Assessors) and shall pay the said taxes together with the accrued interest thereon over to the Town Treasurer from time to time as he collects the same, and shall pay the full amount of all taxes committed to him for collection together with the accrued interest thereon, except such sums as may be abated, over to the Town Treasurer, on or before April 1, 1927, and shall turn over his completed warrant together with all papers relating to the same to the Town Clerk not later than July 1, 1927.

The Tax Collector shall receive one-half of one per cent of the tax warrant for collection of the taxes for the year 1926 payable monthly as and when same are collected, this compensation shall include all expenses, except payment of the Tax Collector's bond.

Article 10. To see if the town will accept Prince Street from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk, on petition of Willard E. Doane and others.

Voted, That the Town accept Prince Street from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 11. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $8500 for the construction of Prince Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Voted, That the sum of seven thousand dollars ($7,000) be appropriated for the construction of Prince Street from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 12. To see if the town will accept Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Morningside Road, so called, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk, on petition of Austin R. Stiles and others.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the construction of Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Morningside Road, so-called, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 14. To see if the town will accept Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk, on petition of Frances E. McPhail and others.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the construction of Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Action upon Articles 12, 13, 14, and 15 was postponed until a later meeting.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to relocate, alter and widen Nehoiden Street from Great Plain Avenue to Central Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or take any action relative thereto.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to relocate, alter and widen Highland Avenue and Hunnewell Street at their intersection, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Voted, That the Town relocate, alter, and widen Highland Avenue and Hunnewell Street at their intersection, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 18. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $15,000 for the construction of Central Avenue, provided the County or the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways,

allot an amount equal to one half of this appropriation for said construction, or take any action relative thereto.

Voted, That the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) be appropriated for the construction of a section of Central Avenue, provided the County and the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, will each allot an equal amount.

Article 19. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $10,000 for the construction of main drains or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000) be appropriated for the construction of main drains.

Article 20. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the construction of a gravel sidewalk on Great Plain Avenue from Prince Street to Greendale Avenue, or take any action relating thereto, on petition of Thomas B. Taber and others.

Voted, That the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500) be appropriated for the construction of a section of gravel sidewalk on Great Plain Avenue between Prince Street and Greendale Avenue.

Article 21. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install three street lights on Pinewood Road on petition of A. E. Williams and others.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to install three street lights on Pinewood Road.

Article 22. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install two street lights on Prospect Street, on petition of Charles Webber and others.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to install two street lights on Prospect Street.

Article 23. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install two street lights on Upland Road on petition of Mabel A. Fuller.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to install two street lights on Upland Road.

Article 24. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install two street lights on Morley Street, on petition of Charles H. Farnham and others.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to install two street lights on Morley Street.

Article 25. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install three street lights on Washington Avenue, westerly from Great plain Avenue, on petition of William Regan and others.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to install three street lights on Washington Avenue.

Article 26. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install four street lights on Wiltshire Park, on petition of Wilbert G. Blades and others.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to install three street lights on Wiltshire Park.

Article 27. To see if the town will authorize its Selectmen to install five street lights on Hampton Avenue, on petition of Edward A. Daley, Jr., and others.

Voted, That the Selectmen be authorized to install three street lights on Hampton Avenue.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 97 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws relative to the establishing of a police department on petition of Samuel H. Wragg.

Voted, That the Town accept the provisions of Section 97 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws relative to the establishing of a Police Department.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee of five to investigate the desirability of establishing a public works department, and report at the next special town meeting, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto on petition of Samuel H. Wragg.

Voted, That a committee of nine be appointed by the Moderator to investigate the desirability of establishing a Public Works Department, said committee to report at any Town Meeting in 1926, or at the annual Town Meeting in 1927.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to amend Article IV of the by-laws by adding thereto the following section: "Section1A. No person shall own or keep in this town any dog which by biting, barking, howling or in any other manner disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person," on petition of Katherine W. Cowdery and others.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to amend Article IV Section 13 of its by-laws by striking out the first sentence and substituting in the place thereof the following; "Every owner, tenant, occupant or agent in charge of a building or lot of land abutting upon a sidewalk constructed of tar or granolithic in any street, place or way shall cause the snow to be removed from such sidewalk within twenty-four hours after such snow has ceased to fall."

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to elect by ballot a board of health consisting of three members in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41 Section 1 of the General Laws, on petition of J. Walter Schirmer and others.

Voted, That the Town elect by ballot a Board of Health consisting of three members in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 1, of the General Laws.

Article 33. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the construction of particular sewers and house connections.

Voted, That the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) be appropriated for the construction of particular sewers and house connections.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to have receipts from sewer assessments and payments made in lieu thereof kept in a separate fund, no part of said fund to be expended except by vote of the town or have any vote or votes relative to said receipts and payments.

Voted, That the Town have the receipts from sewer assessments and payments made in lieu thereof kept in a separate fund, no part of said fund to be expended except by vote of the Town, and then only for purposes of further extensions of the common sewers.

Article 35. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) to extend the water mains, under a six percent ten year guarantee, to the property being developed as follows: Oak Hill by the McIntosh heirs, Tower Hill by W. H. Carter and Babson Park by the Babson Park Company.

Voted, That the Water Commissioners be and hereby are authorized to extend the water mains, under a six-percent ten-year guarantee, to the property being developed by the McIntosh heirs, Oak Hill; W. H. Carter, Tower Hill, and by the Babson Park Company, Babson Park, and that the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) be appropriated for these extensions.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to issue its notes or bonds to an amount not exceeding fifteen thousand ($15,000) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 Section 4 of the General Laws for the purpose specified in Article 35, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the Town Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to borrow, with the approval of the majority of the Selectmen, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) and issue the notes of the town therefor; three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in one year; three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in two years; three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in three years; three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in four years; and three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in five years.

Said notes to be designated on their face "Town of Needham Water Loan" issued under the provisions of

Chapter 44, Section 4, of the General Laws and all acts in addition and in amendment thereto.

Said notes to bear interest at a rate not to exceed five per centum per annum, and the payment of said notes and interest to be taken from the earnings of the Water Department. Vote declared unanimous.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote in favor of placing the Revolutionary Soldiers' lot in the Needham Cemetery under "Perpetual Care" and appropriate the sum of $2,000 for this purpose, or take any vote or votes relative thereto on petition of Frederick S. Kingsbury and others.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to change from a general residential district to a business district, the district on the westerly side of Pickering Street, begining with the premises now occupied by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and extending southerly to Great Plain Avenue.

Voted, That the general residential district on the Westerly side of Pickering Street, between the Telephone Exchange Building and the corner of Great Plain Avenue be re-zoned to a business district.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to change from a business zone to a general residence zone the area on both sides of Chestnut Street lying between School and Cottage Streets and at present zoned for business, on petition of Arthur P. Bliss and others.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 40. To see if the town will amend Section 20 of the zoning by-law by adding thereto, at the end thereof, the following sentence: "In a business district no building shall be constructed or altered so that the nearest point of the building including steps shall be nearer than three feet to the street line."

Voted, That section 20 of the zoning by-laws be amended by adding thereto, at the end thereof, the following sentence; "In a business district no building shall be constructed or altered so that the nearest point of the building including steps shall be nearer that three feet to the street line."

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to amend its zoning by-laws so that the area at Hurd's corner, so called, bounded generally northerly by Central Avenue, easterly by Webster Street, southerly and westerly by land of the Town of Needham and land now or formerly of Hodge, by zoning said area as in the business district, on petition of John A. Keith and others.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 42. To see if the town will vote to change to a business district a certain section, now zoned by the zoning ordinance as a single residence district, and bounded as follows:—Southerly by

land of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, and abutting said Company's tracks about 112 feet; westerly by Warren Street about 86 feet; northerly by land of Carleton G. McIntosh about 112 feet and easterly by land of Bleakney about 60 feet; on petition of Carleton G.. McIntosh and others.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 43. To see if the town will amend its zoning by-laws so that the area bordered north by Wellesley and Newton lines; east by property of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad; south by Webster Street; west by Cedar Street, shall be zoned in the General Residence District, on petition of Alfred P. Hartshorn and others.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 44. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $300 for the establishment of a town nursery under the charge of a committee of three to be appointed by the Selectmen for the purpose of the propagation and growth of shade trees for public use.

Voted, That the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) be appropriated for the establishment of a Town nursery under the charge of a committee of three to be appointed by the Selectmen to serve for three years, for the purpose of the propogation and growth of shade trees for public use.

Article 45. To see if the town will vote to have the reports of its officers, the proceedings of this and subsequent town meetings printed or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the proceedings of the 1926 Annual and subsequent Town Meetings and the reports of the Town Officers be printed and distributed in the same way as in 1925.

At 9:55 P. M. it was

Voted, That this meeting be now dissolved.

Attest CLARENCE E. FOSS
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 28, 1926

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Needham, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of April nineteen hundred and twenty-six at forty-five minutes past seven o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

Article 1. To see if the Town will accept the layout for the altering, relocating, widening and extension of Chapel Street as laid out by the Selectmen and in accordance with plan entitled "Plan of Chapel Street, Needham, Mass., E. Worthington, Engineer, March 2, 1926" which said plan is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain the necessary land therefor, as shown on said plan, and appropriate for damages caused by the said altering, relocating, widening and extension of Chapel Street and for the construction of said Chapel Street the sum of $44,500, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote that of the sum of $44,500 appropriated for the purposes of Article I, the sum of $4,500 be paid out of income for the current year and a sum not exceeding $40,000 be raised by the issue of notes or bonds of the Town to run for a period not to exceed ten years, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will authorize its Selectmen to take by eminent domain for the purpose of a town hall, municipal garage, fire station and/or other municipal buildings, a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, now standing of record in the name of William W. Fitzgerald, and bounded and described as follows:

Westerly by land of Winthrop M. Southworth 107.53 feet plus or minus; Northerly by land of Edith M. Mansfield 118.47 feet; Easterly by Highland Avenue 107.40 feet and Southerly by Chapel Street 126 feet; all as shown on "Plan of Chapel Street, Needham, Mass., E. Worthington, Engineer, March 2, 1926" which said plan is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and appropriate the sum of $50,000 for the payment of any damages awarded as such for said taking, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize its Selectmen to take by eminent domain for the purpose of a town hall, municipal garage, fire station and/or other municipal buildings, a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon now standing of record in the name of Winthrop M. Southworth and bounded and described as follows:

Easterly by land of William W. Fitzgerald 94.85 feet plus or minus; Southerly by Chapel Street 13.13 feet; Westerly by proposed extension of Chapel Street 96.45 feet, all as shown on "Plan of Chapel Street, Needham, Mass., E. Worthington, Engineer, March 2, 1926" which said plan is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and appropriate the sum of $1,000 for the payment of any damages awarded as such for said taking, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize its Selectmen to take by eminent domain for the purpose of a town hall, municipal garage, fire station and/or other municipal buildings, a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, now standing of record in the name of Edith M. Mansfield and bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by land of Clifford M. Locke 95.02 feet; Easterly by Highland Avenue 106.33 feet; Southerly by land of William W. Fitzgerald 118.47 feet and Westerly by proposed extension of Chapel Street 107.62 feet, all as shown on "Plan of Chapel Street, Needham, Mass., E. Worthington, Engineer, March 2, 1926" which said plan is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and appropriate the sum of $19,500 for the payment of any damages awarded as such for said taking, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize its Selectmen to take by eminent domain for the purpose of a town hall, municipal garage, fire station and/or other municipal buildings, a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon now standing of record in the name of Clifford M. Locke, and bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by land of Edith M. Mansfield 95.02 feet; Westerly by proposed extension of Chapel Street 34.87 feet; Westerly, Northerly and Easterly by proposed extension of Chapel Street by a curved line and measuring 129.26 feet; and Easterly by Highland Avenue 23.10 feet, and all as shown on "Plan of Chapel Street, Needham, Mass., E. Worthington, Engineer, March 2, 1926" which said plan is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and appropriate the sum of $6,000 for the payment of any damages awarded as such for said taking or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will authorize its Selectmen to take by eminent domain for the purpose of storage of municipal supplies and the housing of the various town departments, a certain parcel of land now standing of record in the name of Clifford M. Locke, together with the spur track thereon, and bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by land of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company 97.60 feet; Easterly by other land of Clifford M. Locke 300.69 feet; Northerly by May Street 101.44 feet, and Westerly by land of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company by three courses respectively 214.16 feet, 55.8 feet, 31.6 feet plus or minus, and all as shown on plan of Chapel Street, Needham, Mass., E. Worthington, Engineer, March 2, 1926, which said plan is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and appropriate the sum of $15,000 for the payment of any damages awarded as such for said taking, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote that of the sum of $91,500 appropriated for the payment for damages for the taking by eminent domain of certain parcels of land described in Articles 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, the sum of $1,500 be paid out of income of the current year, and a sum not to exceed $90,000 be raised by the issue of bonds or notes of the Town to run for a period not to exceed 20 years, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 9. To see if the town will authorize and instruct the treasurer to borrow by temporary loan for a period of not more than one year the sum of $130,000 in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of the bonds or notes provided for in Articles 3 and 8, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to accept deeds from the owners of the premises described in Articles 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, conveying to the Town any right, title or interest remaining in the owners of the said premises described in Articles 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, after the taking by eminent domain.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to abandon and discontinue that portion of Chapel Street running Westerly from Highland Avenue to the Easterly line of said Chapel Street as relocated and shown on plan of Chapel Street, Needham, Mass., March 2, 1926, E. Worthington, Engineer, and being that portion of Chapel Street which now runs in an Easterly and Westerly direction.

Article 12. To see if the Town will rescind its votes passed under Article 18 of the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 15, 1926.

Article 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $10,000 for the construction of a section of Central Avenue provided the County Commissioners or the Department of Public Works, Division of the Highways, allot an amount equal to one-half of this appropriation for said construction, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $400 for care of graves in the Needham Cemetery of persons who have served in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States in time of war, as directed and authorized under Chapter 218 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1920.

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $950 for the use of the Park Commissioners, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to have the general residential zone line now passing parallel to Linden and Maple Streets and halfway between those streets, altered so as to include the present two-family house on the north side of Oak Street and the vacant lot adjoining this house which forms the northeast corner of Linden and Oak Streets and extends on Linden Street a distance of seventy-five feet, on petition of Wilber W. Cole and others.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IV of the by-laws by adding thereto the following section: "Section 1A. No person shall own or keep in this Town any dog which by biting, barking, howling or in any other manner disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person." On petition of Arthur B. Cowdery and others.

Article 18. To see if the Town will accept Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Hillcrest Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $9,000 for the construction of Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Hillcrest Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will accept Birds Hill Avenue from Hillcrest Road to Morningside Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 21. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $3,500 for the construction of Birds Hill Avenue from Hillcrest Road to Morningside Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will accept Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 23. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $5,000 for the construction of Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will accept Pinewood Road from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing

the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 25. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $7,000 for the construction of Pinewood Road from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to install a street light on Ledge Street or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to install two street lights on Coulton Park or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $2,600 for the payment of premiums of insurance on Town property or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will accept General Laws Chapter 40, Section 13, not including 13A and 13B.

Article 30. To see if the Town will appropriate $5,000 to establish and maintain a Municipal Buildings Insurance Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 13 or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $1,000 for the celebration of the fourth day of July, 1926, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will rescind its vote passed under Article 36 of the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 15, 1926.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to issue its notes or bonds to an amount not exceeding $15,000 in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 8 (4) for the purpose of extending its water mains to the property being developed as follows: Oakhill by the Macintosh heirs; Towerhill by W. H. Carter, and Babson Park by the Babson Park Company or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to re-zone from a business and general residential section to a manufacturing section the area west of the tracks of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company and south of Great Plain Avenue, containing 43,348 square feet more or less, now owned by William F. Alden and used by him partly for manufacturing, on petition of William F. Alden and others.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in not less than twenty public places in said Town at least seven days before said meeting and to leave a copy at each of the several dwelling houses within said Town.

Hereof fail not and made due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, unto our Town Clerk, on or before said day and hour.

Given under our hands at Needham aforesaid, this 16th day of April, A.D., 1926.

ALFRED J. MERCER,
WM. P. BROWN,
HENRY D. BLACKMAN,
Selectmen of Needham.

Norfolk, ss. Needham, April, 1926.

By virtue of this warrant, I have this day, notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Needham to meet as within directed, by posting true and attested copies of this warrant, in not less than twenty public places in said Town, more than seven days before the time of holding said meeting, and by leaving a copy at each of the several dwelling houses as within directed.

GEORGE TWIGG,
Constable of Needham.

A true copy of warrant and Officer's return.
Attest:

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

RECORD OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 28, 1926

Pursuant of the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham, qualified to vote in Town affairs, met in the Town Hall in said Town on Wednesday, April 28, 1926, at 7.50 o'clock in the afternoon.

William G. Moseley, Moderator in the chair.

Margaret O. Chase, Myra R. Kingsbury, Charles M. Donahue, George W. Holt, and Dana L. Southworth were appointed checkers by the Board of Selectmen and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. Check lists were used and 134 women and 408 men were checked on the lists as being present a total of 542 voters.

The warrant and the return of the officer who served the same were read.

Proceeded to take up the articles under the warrant.

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $950 for the use of the Park Commissioners, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the sum of nine hundred and fifty ($950) dollars be appropriated for the use of the Park Commissioners.

Article 1. To see if the Town will accept the layout for the altering, relocating, widening and extension of Chapel Street as laid out by the Selectmen and in accordance with plan entitled "Plan of Chapel Street, Needham, Mass., E. Worthington, Engineer, March 2, 1926" which said plan is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain the necessary land therefor, as shown on said plan, and appropriate for damages caused by the said altering, relocating, widening and extension of Chapel Street and for the construction of said Chapel Street the sum of $44,500, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

A poll of the meeting showed 136 in favor and 308 against acceptance of this article and the motion to accept Article was declared lost.

It was voted that Articles 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 be dismissed.

Article 12. To see if the Town will rescind its votes passed under Article 18 of the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 15, 1926.

Voted, That the action of the Town at the Town Meeting held March 15, 1926 in its vote appropriating the sum of ten thousand ($10,000) dollars for the construction of a section of Central Avenue, provided the County and the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, will each allot an equal amount, be and the same is hereby rescinded and that the money so appropriated be returned to the Treasury.

Article 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $10,000 for the construction of a section of Central Avenue provided the County Commissioners or the Department of Public Works, Division of the Highways, allot an amount equal to one-half of this appropriation for said construction, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) be and the same hereby is appropriated for the construction of Central Avenue provided that the County Commissioners and the Department of Public Works, Division of the Highways, each allot an amount equal to at least one-half of this appropriation for the said construction.

Article 14. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $400 for care of graves in the Needham Cemetery of persons who have served in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States in time of war, as directed and authorized under Chapter 218 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1920.

Voted, That the sum of four hundred dollars ($400) be appropriated for the care of graves in the Needham Cemetery of persons who have served in the army, navy, or marine corps of the United States in time of war, as directed and authorized under Chapter 218 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1920.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to have the general residential zone line now passing parallel to Linden and Maple Streets and halfway between those streets, altered so as to include the present two-family house on the north side of Oak Street and the vacant lot adjoining this house which forms the northeast corner of Linden and Oak Streets and extends on Linden Street a distance of seventy-five feet, on petition of Wilber W. Cole and others.

Voted, That the general residential zone line now passing parallel to Linden and Maple Streets and halfway between those streets be altered so as to include the present two-family house on the north side of Oak Street and the vacant lot adjoining this house which forms the northeast corner of Linden and Oak Streets and extends on Linden Street a distance of seventy-five feet (75 feet). (12 yes—1 no).

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IV of the by-laws by adding thereto the following section: "Section 1A. No person shall own or keep in this Town any dog which by biting, barking, howling or in any other manner disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person." On petition of Arthur B. Cowdery and others.

Voted, That Article IV of the By-laws be amended by adding thereto the following Section: "Section 1A. No person shall own or keep in this Town any dog which by biting, barking, howling or in any other manner disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person." (Yes 134—No 58).

Article 18. To see if the Town will accept Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Hillcrest Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Voted, That the Town accept Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Hillcrest Road, under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $9,000 for the construction of Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Hillcrest Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the sum of nine thousand dollars ($9,000) be appropriated for the construction of Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Hillcrest Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 20. To see if the Town will accept Birds Hill Avenue from Hillcrest Road to Morningside Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Voted, That the Town accept Birds Hill Avenue from Hillcrest Road to Morningside Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 21. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $3,500 for the construction of Birds Hill Avenue from Hillcrest Road to Morningside Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars ($3,500) be appropriated for the construction of Birds Hill Avenue from Hillcrest Road to Morningside Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 22. To see if the Town will accept Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 23. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $5,000 for the construction of Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 24. To see if the Town will accept Pinewood Road from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Voted, That Pinewood Road from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue be accepted under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 25. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $7,000 for the construction of Pinewood Road from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the sum of seven thousand dollars ($7,000) be and the same hereby is appropriated for the construction of Pinewood Road from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Article 26. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to install a street light on Ledge Street or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 27. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to install two street lights on Coulton Park or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 28. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $2,600 for the payment of premiums of insurance on Town property or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the sum of twenty-six hundred dollars ($2,600) be appropriated for insurance premiums.

Article 29. To see if the Town will accept General Laws Chapter 40, Section 13, not including 13A and 13B.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 30. To see if the Town will appropriate $5,000 to establish and maintain a Municipal Buildings Insurance Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 13 or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 31. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $1,000 for the celebration of the fourth day of July, 1926, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That this article be dismissed.

Article 32. To see if the Town will rescind its vote passed under Article 36 of the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 15, 1926.

Voted, That the action of the Town under Article 36 at the Town Meeting held March 15, 1926, authorizing the Treasurer to borrow, with the approval of the majority of the Selectmen, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) and to issue the note of the Town therefor, be and hereby is rescinded.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to issue its notes or bonds to an amount not exceeding $15,000 in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 8 (4) for the purpose of extending its water mains to the property being developed as follows: Oak Hill by the Macintosh heirs; Tower Hill by W. H. Carter, and Babson Park by the Babson Park Company or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Voted, That the Town Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to borrow, with the approval of the majority of the Selectmen and for the purpose of extending the Town water mains to the property being developed as follows: Oak Hill by the Macintosh heirs, Tower Hill by W. H. Carter, and Babson Park by the Babson Park Company, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) and to issue the notes or bonds of the Town therefor; three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in one year, three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in two years; three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in three years; three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in four years; and three thousand dollars ($3,000) payable in five years.

Said notes or bonds to be designated on their face "Town of Needham Water Loan, issued under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 8, (4) of the General Laws, and all acts in addition and in amendment thereto."

Said notes or bonds to bear interest at a rate not to exceed five per centum per annum, and the payment of said notes or bonds and the interest thereon to be taken from the earnings of the Water Department. (Vote declared unanimous).

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to re-zone from a business and general residential section to a manufacturing section the area west of the tracks of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company and south of Great Plain Avenue, containing 43,348 square feet more or less, now owned by William F. Alden and used by him partly for manufacturing, on petition of William F. Alden and others.

Voted, That the area west of the tracks of the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Company and south of Great Plain Avenue, containing 43,348 square feet more or less owned by William F. Alden, be re-zoned from a business and general residential district to a manufacturing district. (67 yes—6 no).

At 11 o'clock P.M. it was

Voted, That this meeting be now dissolved.

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY

September 14, 1926

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Needham, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the Town Hall on **Tuesday, the fourteenth day of September, 1926,** at 4 o'clock P.M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Governor for this Commonwealth.
Lieutenant-Governor for this Commonwealth.
Secretary of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth.
Treasurer and Receiver-General for this Commonwealth.
Auditor of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth.
Attorney-General for this Commonwealth.
Senator in Congress (to fill vacancy) for this Commonwealth.
Representative in Congress for the 13th Congressional District.
Councillor for the 2nd Councillor District.
Senator for the Norfolk Senatorial District.
Two Representatives in the General Court for the First Norfolk Representative District.
County Commissioner (1) for Norfolk County.
Associate Commissioners (2) for Norfolk County.
District Attorney for the Southeastern District.
Sheriff for Norfolk County.

And for the election of the following officers:

District member of State Committee for each political party for the Norfolk Senatorial District.
15 Members of the Republican Town Committee.
7 Members of the Democratic Town Committee.
9 Delegates to State Conventions of the Republican Party.
9 Delegates to State Conventions of the Democratic Party.

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will be open from 4 to 8 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 17th day of August, A.D., 1926.

WM. P. BROWN,
H. D. BLACKMAN,
Selectmen of Needham.

Needham, August 23, 1926.

Norfolk, ss.

By virtue of this warrant I have this day notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in Primaries to meet as within directed, by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than twenty public places in said Town, more than seven days before the time of holding said meeting, as within directed.

GEORGE TWIGG,
Constable of Needham.

A true copy of warrant and officer's return.

Attest:

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

RECORD OF THE STATE PRIMARY
September 14, 1926

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, was held in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the fourteenth day of September, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-six at four o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of nominating state and county officers and to elect members of the State and Town committees and delegates to the State convention.

The meeting was called to order by Selectman Alfred J. Mercer.

The warrant and officer's return were read by the Town Clerk.

James F. Ryan, James Ford, Mary E. Fitzgerald, Charles M. Donahue, Dana L. Southworth, Myra R. Kingsbury, Margaret O. Chase, and William W. Hewett having been appointed as ballot clerks they were severally sworn by the Town Clerk. Cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted as required by General Law.

The package of ballots received from the Secretary of State containing the ballots were delivered the presiding officer and receipt taken therefor. The ballot box was publicly opened and shown to be empty then locked and the keys given to George Twigg, the officer in attendance at the polls.

The polls were opened for the reception of ballots at four o'clock in the afternoon and in pursuance with the warrant were kept open until eight o'clock in the evening. The following additional tellers were appointed and sworn by the Town Clerk. Colin Rae, Inez M. Southworth, S. Mabel Mackenzie, James A. Fitzgerald, Amelia Wagner, William J. Gilfoil, William C. Courtenay, Albert E. Collishaw, William E. Mullan, Ozias H. McMurdie, Samuel Kingsbury, Gertrude E. Hamilton, Arthur H. Godfrey, Elizabeth A. Fitzgerald, and James F. Daly.

At fifteen minutes past seven o'clock two hundred ballots were taken from the ballot box by the presiding officer.

At eight o'clock the polls were closed and the remaining ballots were taken from the box being audibly counted by the presiding officer and announced as one hundred and fifty-three making the total number of votes cast three hundred and fifty-three.

The check lists showed that two hundred and forty-five ballots were cast by men and one hundred and eight by women.

Nine Democratic and three hundred and forty-four Republican ballots were duly sorted and counted and resulted as follows, *viz.:*

DEMOCRATIC

For Governor

William A. Gaston of Boston	8
Blank	1

For Lieutenant-Governor

Harry J. Dooley of Boston	3
Joseph B. Ely of Westfield	5
Blank	1

For Secretary

Frank W. Cavanaugh of Newton	8
Blank	1

For Treasurer

Daniel England of Pittsfield	7
Blanks	2

For Auditor

Strabo V. Claggett of Newton	8
Blank	1

For Attorney-General

John E. Swift of Milford	5
Harold Williams, Jr., of Brookline	3
Blank	1

For Senator in Congress (to fill Vacancy)

David I. Walsh of Fitchburg	8
Blank	1

For Congressman, 13th District

John P. Tierney of Newton	2
Blanks	7

For Councillor, 2nd District

Augustus W. Perry of Boston	1
Otho L. Schofield of Wellesley	6
Blanks	2

For Senator, Norfolk and Middlesex District

Edward R. Goodwin of Natick	8
Blank	1

For Representative in General Court First Norfolk District

Thomas F. Armstrong of Dedham	7
Grover N. Drury of Wellesley	6
Blanks	5

For County Commissioner, Norfolk District.

Blanks	9

For Associate Commissioners, Norfolk District

Blanks	18

For District Attorney, Southeastern District

Blanks	9

For Sheriff, Norfolk District

Samuel H. Capen, of Dedham	6
Blanks	3

For State Committee, Norfolk and Middlesex District

William P. Nickerson of Norwood	7
Blanks	2

For Delegates to State Convention

James Ford	4
Colin Rae	1
Blanks	85

For Town Committee

Colin Rae	5
Charles M. Donahue	6
Mary E. Fitzgerald	6
Albert E. Collishaw	5
William F. Casey	5
Blanks	63

REPUBLICAN

For Governor

Alvan T. Fuller of Malden	313
Blanks	31

For Lieutenant-Governor

Frank G. Allen of Norwood	320
Blanks	24

For Secretary

Frederic W. Cook of Somerville	292
Blanks	52

For Treasurer

William S. Youngman of Brookline	305
Blanks	39

For Auditor

Alonzo B. Cook of Boston	216
Blanks	128

For Attorney-General

Elijah Adlow of Boston	53
Alexander Lincoln of Boston	69
Arthur K. Reading of Cambridge	202
Blanks	20

For Senator in Congress (to fill Vacancy)

William M. Butler of Boston	301
Blanks	43

For Congressman, 13th District

Robert Luce of Waltham	303
Blanks	41

For Councillor, 2nd District

Chester I. Campbell of Quincy	73
Washington Cook of Sharon	10
William W. Ollendorff of Medway	244
Peter L. Rowell of Boston	1
Blanks	16

For Senator, Norfolk and Middlesex District

Samuel H. Wragg of Needham	284
Blanks	60

For Representative in General Court First Norfolk District

George B. Ager of Wellesley	232
John K. Burgess of Dedham	196
George Thorley of Dedham	155
Blanks	105

For County Commissioner, Norfolk District

Frederick A. Leavitt of Brookline	281
Blanks	63

Associate Commissioners Norfolk District

Walter E. Piper of Quincy	244
Scattering	4
Blanks	440

For District Attorney, Southeastern District

Winfield M. Wilbar of Brockton	280
Charles G. Keene	1
Blanks	63

For Sheriff, Norfolk District

Samuel H. Capen of Dedham	296
Blanks	48

For State Committee, Norfolk and Middlesex District

Anna C. Bird of Walpole	238
Blanks	106

For Delegates to State Convention

William H. Carter	289
Leslie B. Cutler	228
Florence L. Lyman	260
William G. Moseley	277
Harry L. Thompson	269
Scattering	7
Blanks	1,766

For Town Committee

Charles W. Woodbury	287
Frank B. Arnold	265
Henry Godfrey, Jr.	278
George W. Holt	270
William F. Leach	256
Harry L. Thompson	269
Frank I. Sewall	260
Herbert L. Moore	258
Robert A. Pidgeon	256
Leslie B. Cutler	226
Scattering	7
Blanks	808

The business of the meeting being completed all the ballots cast and the undistributed ballots were sealed and endorsed by the election officers and placed in the custody of the Town Clerk.

Dissolved at thirty minutes past ten o'clock.

Attest:

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR GENERAL ELECTION
November 2, 1926

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

To George Twigg, a Constable of the Town of Needham in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on **Tuesday, the second day of November, 1926,** at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes for the following officers, viz:

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, Senator in Congress, Congressman, thirteenth district; Councillor, second district; Senator, Norfolk and Middlesex district; Representatives in General Court, First Norfolk district; County Commissioner, Norfolk County; Associate Commissioners, Norfolk County; District Attorney, Southeastern district; Sheriff, Norfolk County.

Acceptance of the following proposed "Amendment to the Constitution."

QUESTION NO. 1

Shall an amendment to the constitution which authorizes the General Court to establish in any corporate town containing more than six thousand inhabitants a form of town government providing for town meetings limited to such inhabitants of the town as may be elected for the purpose, which received in a joint session of the two Houses held May 29, 1924, 189 votes in the affirmative and 40 in the negative, and at a joint session of the two Houses held March 18, 1925, received 262 votes in the affirmative and 4 in the negative, be approved?

Acceptance of the following law submitted upon referendum after passage.

QUESTION NO. 2

Shall a law which amends existing law by striking out the provisions that veterans who pass Civil Service examinations shall be placed upon the eligible lists above all other applicants that disabled veterans shall be placed ahead of all other veterans, and that disabled veterans shall be appointed and employed in preference to all other persons; and by providing in place thereof, that five points shall be added to the mark of veterans who pass such examinations, and ten points to the mark of disabled veterans, which law was disapproved in the Senate by a vote of 0 in the affirmative and 34 in the negative, and in the House of Representatives by a vote of 11 in the affirmative and 181 in the negative, be approved?

The polls shall close at eight o'clock in the afternoon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in not less than twenty public places in said Town seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, unto our Town Clerk on or before said day and hour.

Given under our hands at Needham aforesaid this 19th day of October, A.D., 1926.

ALFRED J. MERCER,
WM. P. BROWN,
HENRY D. BLACKMAN,
Selectmen of Needham.

Needham, October 25, 1926.

Norfolk, ss.

By virtue of this warrant I have this day notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham to meet as within directed by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than twenty public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

GEORGE TWIGG,
Constable of Needham.

A true copy. Attest:

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

RECORD OF THE STATE ELECTION

November 2, 1926

Pursuant of the foregoing warrant a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs was held in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, November 2, 1926, at forty-five minutes past five o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order by Alfred J. Mercer, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

The warant and officer's return were read by the Town Clerk.

Pursuant to Chapter 54 Section 21 of the General Laws the Selectmen having appointed James F. Ryan, Charles M. Donahue, Mary E. Fitzgerald, Helene F. Johnson, William C. Payne, Jeremiah F. Buckley, Margaret O. Chase and Myra R. Kingsbury as ballot clerks, they were sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties.

Cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted as required by Chapter 54, Section 48 of the General Laws.

The ballots furnished by the State for use at this election were delivered to the ballot clerks and their receipt taken therefor.

The ballot box was opened and shown to be empty: it was then locked and the key delivered to George Twigg, the officer in attendance.

The polls were opened at fifty-five minutes past five o'clock in the forenoon and kept open until eight o'clock in

the afternoon. The following additional tellers were appointed:

William E. Mullan	Ruth Fanning
Elise A. Chandler	William G. Courtenay
Josephine Bois	Amelia Wagner
Julia T. Mullan	Edward E. Chandler
Mabel E. Nason	Elizabeth A. Fitzgerald
Albert E. Collishaw	Gertrude E. Hamilton
William J. Gilfoil	Ozias H. McMurdie
James Ford	Garnet W. Earle
Vera C. Halstead	Angela Overton
E. Maude Bryer	Ethel W. Curren
Della A. Beale	S. Mabel Mackenzie
Samuel Kingsbury	William W. Hewett
Inez M. Southworth	James E. Tisdale
Annette L. Freeman	James F. Daly

Luke W. Keith

and they were severally sworn to the faithful performance of their duties.

As the ballots were taken from the box they were audibly counted by the Selectmen. At half past ten o'clock in the forenoon five hundred (500) ballots were taken from the box, at half past twelve in the afternoon two hundred and fifty (250) ballots were taken from the box, at half past one, two hundred and fifty (250) ballots were taken from the box, at fifteen minutes past three, five hundred and fifty (550) ballots were taken from the box, and at eight o'clock eleven hundred and seventy-one (1171) were taken from the box. The total number of ballots cast was twenty-seven hundred and twenty-one. Of these twelve ballots were cast by absent voters.

The check sheets of the ballot clerks showed that fifteen hundred and seventeen (1517) males and twelve hundred and four (1204) females voted.

A canvass of all ballots given was made as required by law. Upon the completion of the canvass of all votes cast the result of the voting was declared by the presiding officer to be as follows, *viz.:*

For Governor

Alvan T. Fuller of Malden, Republican	2,223
William A. Gaston of Boston, Democratic	448
Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield, Socialist Party	11
Samuel Leger of Boston, Socialist Labor Party	1
Lewis Marks of Boston, Workers Party	4
Blanks	34

For Lieutenant-Governor

Frank G. Allen of Norwood, Republican	2,238
Daniel T. Blessington of Somerville, Socialist Labor Party	5
Albert Oddie of Brockton, Workers Party	13
Dennis F. Regan of Brockton, Socialist Party	12
Edmond P. Talbot of Fall River, Democratic	382
Blanks	71

For Secretary

Harry J. Canter of Boston, Workers Party	39
Frank W. Cavanaugh of Newton, Democratic	414
Frederic W. Cook of Somerville, Republican	2,041
Stephen S. Surridge of Lynn, Socialist Labor Party	4
Edith M. Williams of Brookline, Socialist Party	30
Blanks	193

For Treasurer

Albert Sprague Collidge of Pittsfield, Socialist Party	43
Winfield A. Dwyer of Boston, Workers Party	19
Daniel England of Pittsfield, Democratic	347
Henry Hess of Boston, Socialist Labor Party	7
William S. Youngman of Brookline, Republican	2,087
Scattering	1
Blanks	217

For Auditor

Leon Arkin of Boston, Socialist Party	19
Strabo V. Claggett of Newton, Democratic	800
Alonzo B. Cook of Boston, Republican	1,597
Emma P. Hutchins of Boston, Workers Party	24
John R. MacKinnon of Lowell, Socialist Labor Party	5
Blanks	276

For Attorney-General

Isadore Harris of Boston, Socialist Labor Party	13
Max Lerner of Worcester, Workers Party	16
Arthur K. Reading of Cambridge, Republican	2,086
John Weaver Sherman of Boston, Socialist Party	21
Joqn E. Swift of Milford, Democratic	366
Blanks	219

For Senator in Congress (to fill vacancy)

John J. Ballam of Boston, Workers Party	8
William M. Butler of Boston, Republican	1,939
Washington Cook of Sharon, Modification Volstead Act	7
Alfred Baker Lewis of Cambridge, Socialist Party	9
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg, Democratic	716
Blanks	42

For Congressman, Thirteenth District

Robert Luce of Waltham, Republican	2,116
John P. Tierney of Newton, Democratic	395
Blanks	210

For Councillor, Second District

Chester I. Campbell of Quincy, Republican	2,078
Augustus W. Perry of Boston, Democratic	340
Blanks	303

For Senator, Norfolk and Middlesex District

Edward R. Goodwin of Natick, Democratic	286
Samuel H. Wragg of Needham, Republican	2,285
Blanks	150

For Representatives, First Norfolk District

George B. Ager of Wellesley, Republican	1,697
Thomas F. Armstrong of Dedham, Democratic	300
John K. Burgess of Dedham, Republican	1,750
Grover N. Drury of Wellesley, Democratic	268
Blanks	1,427

For County Commissioner, Norfolk County

Frederick A. Leavitt of Brookline, Republican	2,090
Scattering	1
Blanks	630

For Associate County Commissioners, Norfolk County

Walter E. Piper of Quincy, Republican	1,966
Scattering	34
Blanks	3,442

For District Attorney, Southeastern District

Winfield M. Wilbar of Brockton, Republican	2,051
Blanks	670

For Sheriff, Norfolk County

Samuel H. Capen of Dedham, Democratic Republican	1,952
Scattering	1
Blanks	768

QUESTION NO. 1

Shall an amendment to the constitution which authorizes the General Court to establish in any corporate town containing more than six thousand inhabitants a form of town government providing for town meetings limited to such inhabitants of the town as may be elected for the purpose, *which received in a joint session of the two Houses held May 29, 1924, 189 votes in the affirmative and 40 in the negative, and at a joint session of the two Houses held March 18, 1925, received 262 votes in the affirmative and 4 in the negative,* be approved?

Yes	1,255
No	475
Blanks	991

QUESTION NO. 2

Shall a law which amends existing law by striking out the provisions that veterans who pass Civil Service examinations shall be placed upon the eligible lists above all other applicants, that disabled veterans shall be placed ahead of all other veterans, and that disabled veterans shall be appointed and employed in preference to all other persons; and by providing in place thereof, that five points shall be added to the mark of veterans who pass such examinations, and ten points to the mark of disabled veterans, *which law was disapproved in the Senate by a vote of 0 in the affirmative and 34 in the negative, and in the House of Representatives by a vote of 11 in the affirmative and 181 in the negative,* be approved?

Yes	1,115
No	1,034
Blanks	572

The business of the meeting having been completed all the ballots cast, the undistributed ballots and lists of voters used by the checkers were sealed up and endorsed by the election officers and placed in the custody of the Town Clerk.

The returns of the votes cast were signed by the Selectmen and attested by the Town Clerk.

Declaration of the result of the votes cast was made and

the meeting was dissolved at one o'clock in the forenoon, November 3, 1926.

Attest:

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

Vote for Representatives

Norfolk District Number 1

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to Section 322 of Chapter 825 of the Acts of 1913 the Clerks of the towns of Dedham, Needham and Wellesley comprising the Norfolk Representative District, number one, at their meeting in said Needham, on the 12th day of November, A. D. 1926, made out the following schedule of names of all persons for whom votes for representatives in the General Court were cast in said District and the number of votes for each, as follows: *viz.:*

George B. Ager of Wellesley had	5,131
Thomas F. Armstrong of Dedham had	1,838
John K. Burgess of Dedham had	5,057
Grover N. Drury of Wellesley had	1,253
Scattering	1

DON GLEASON HILL,
Town Clerk of Dedham.

JOHN T. RYAN,
Town Clerk of Wellesley.

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk of Needham.

OFFICERS QUALIFIED

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

Personally appeared before me on the dates set against their several names, the following persons who were elected March 8 and 15, 1926, and made oath that they would faithfully discharge the duties of the office to which they were respectively elected.

1926

Mar.

8 William G. Moseley, Moderator.
8 Henry D. Blackman, Selectman, Board of Health, Board of Survey.
8 William F. Brown, Selectman, Board of Health, Board of Survey.
9 George Twigg, Constable, Tree Warden.
9 Alfred T. Baker, Public Welfare.
9 Preston Mitchell, Park Commissioner, Commissioner of Trust Funds.
9 Alfred J. Mercer, Selectman, Board of Health.
9 Charles E. Stanwood, Treasurer.
9 George W. Holt, Assessor (Statute Oath).
9 Henry Godfrey, Jr., Tax Collector.
9 Philip A. Rand, Water Commissioner.
13 J. Walter Schirmer, School Committee.
16 Harry H. Bruns, School Committee.
16 Warren W. Loomis, School Committee.
16 G. Waldo Crawley, School Committee.
23 John A. Keith, Finance Committee.
26 Alger E. Eaton, Finance Committee.
27 Edward A. Daley, Jr., Constable.
30 Brad Stevens, Finance Committee.

Apr.

2 Frederick A. Whetton, Public Weigher.
3 Joseph Willett, Public Weigher.
5 William G. Price, Janitor of Town Hall.
9 Arthur H. Whetton, Public Weigher.
15 Henry K. Morse, Public Weigher.
16 Nellie Burkett, Public Weigher.
23 Alexander McKay, Public Weigher.
27 John Beahan, Public Weigher.

May

11 T. Robert Quinlan, Chief of Fire Department.
20 James H. Whetton, Public Weigher.
20 James H. Whetton, Measurer of Wood and Bark.

July

20 John A. McWade, Public Weigher.

DOG LICENSES, 1926

Town Clerk's report of money received:

381	Male dogs at $2.00 each	$762 00
90	Female dogs at $5.00 each	450 00
68	Female spayed at $2.00 each	136 00
1	Breeder's License	25 00
		$1,373 00
540	Licenses at 20c	108 00
	Amount paid County Treasurer	$1,265 00

HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING LICENSES

221	Sporting licenses at $2.25 each	$497 25
9	Trapping licenses at $2.25 each	20 25
1	Alien Sporting license at $15.25 each	15 25
25	Minor Trapping licenses at 75c each	18 75
		$551 50
256	Licenses at 25c	64 00
	Amount paid Division of Fisheries and Game	$487 50

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1926

BIRTHS

1925
Oct.
6 Mary Elizabeth Ryder, Harry A. and Elizabeth.
18 Janet Mabel Harlow, Ralph V. and Judith E.
19 Virginia Margeson Eaton, Horace M. and Laura.
24 Jeanne Frances Sheldon, Charles L. and Elizabeth.

Nov.
5. Helen Hope Hersey, Francis C. and Edith M.

1926
Jan.
3 Samuel Atwood Pinkham, Jr., Samuel A. and Leta.
5 Eleanor Ciarlantini, Peter and Santa.
9 John Vincent Aldrich, Harry G. and Virginia.

Jan.
16 Emilio Conte, Omar and Antoinette.
16 Barbara Louise Lane, William G. and Doris M.
17 Beverly Joan Howe, Myron A. and Hazel.
18 Frances Elizabeth Mitchell, Charles P. and Anna P.
18 Richard McFarlane Elliott, Harold C. and Margaret.
20 Lloyd Job Langdon, Lloyd and Mary.
24 Merrill Abraham Cohan, Abraham and Lena.
26 Shirley Eleanor Hoyt, Walter M. and Anna.

Feb.
4 Keith G. Douglas, Keith G. and Sarah H.
4 Barbara Jane Nutt, Roger W. and Florence.
5 Elizabeth Frances Rodgers, John F. and Ethel.
5 Edward Waters, Daniel E. and Mary G.
7 Elva Marie Bruning, Raymond J. and Beatrice.
7 Evelyn Cecelia Bruning, Raymond J. and Beatrice.
11 Dana Wescott Brown, Maurice V. and Margaret.
12 Frank Joseph Dugan, Michael F. and Marion.
13 Rita Catherine Wainwright, John F. and Gertrude.
14 Marilyn Elizabeth Meier, Louis F. and Mary E.
15 Joseph Francis Kennedy, Merle H. and Rose G.
17 William Harold Pierce, Harold N. and Inez E.
18 Jean Frances Mahoney, Thomas and Alice E.
21 Nancy Mason Wye, Clifford W. and Dorothy.
23 James Boyd Malmstrom, Eric W. and Anne G.
26 Florence Doten Hawkins, Frederick and Carolina.
28 Nancy Reeves Rice, Waldo H. and Anne.

Mar.
3 John Edward Brady, Jr., John E. and Gertrude A.
3 Edward Palmer, Harry E. and Ruth D.
4 William Henry Eldridge, Jr., William H. and Thelma.
5 Shirley Louise Jones, Archibald H. and Alice W.
7 Katherine Elva Parker, Norman F. and Helen M.
8 Charles Vincent Wilson, William T. and Margaret.
9 Carolina Borrelli, Tony and Fannie.
10 Robert Arthur Fitzgerald, Arthur F. and Etta.
10 Aurora T. Venchearutti, Vincent and Rose.
11 Elizabeth Williams, Russell T. and Marjorie F.
12 John William Coppinger, Edward A. and Ann.
13 Claire Fletcher, Willard C. and Helen T.
14 Charlene Brittian, Frederick and Evelyn.
14 Luigi Picariello, Leonard and Amalia.
15 Ruth Cunningham, Alan and Ruth.
17 Shooshan Shamshoian, John and Annie.
17 Barbara Elizabeth Mills, Elmer and Florence E.
18 Roy Carter Johnson, Putnam MacD. and Jennie D.
23 Frank Post Gage, Robert B. and Josephine S.

Mar.
24 Nicholas Pergano, Sam and Jennie.
25 Peter De Fazio, Dominick and Bertha.
26 Bernard Cortland Mills, Howard and Eva B.
29 Dorothy Lorraine Harris, Charles W., Jr., and Mary.
29 Estelle Frances Gray, Ralph H. and Mae L.
31 Barbara Frances Gould, Ernest H. and Lillian F.

Apr.
2 Teresa Manganiello, Raffaelo and Agrippina.
15 Charles Kitchener MacGray, Charles L. and E. Constance
15 Constance Evelyn MacGray, Charles L. and E. Constance
15 Verna Jean Buckley, Francis J. and Mary E.
17 Shirley Lorraine Stark, Gillis W. and Ruby.
20 Herbert Richard Bond, Jr., Herbert R. and Hazel H.
26 Barbara Thompson Hamilton, Peter D.G. and Harriet B.
29 Duvernett Robert Weaver, William R. and Vera M.
29 Marian Ellen Howes, Wellington, Jr., and Virginia.

May
4 Illegitimate
5 Kenneth Frank Mailloux, Ralph W. and Katherine L.
5 Dorothy Lily Cliffe, Joseph J. and Dorothy.
10 Ruth Elizabeth Sprague, Lester D. and Dorothy L.
13 Therese Gertrude Doyle, James F. and Martha L.
13 Illegitimate.
14 William Howlett Blaisdell, Richard H. and Nadine E.
24 John Robinson Blood, Herbert L. and Emma M.
28 Lois Mary Groves, Ernest R. and Gladys.

June
3 Katherine Shallis, James H. and Katherine A.
6 Charles Henry Locke, William H. and Florence.
12 Helen Jean Chilson, Lawrence W. and Edna L.
14 Louise Papetti, Enrico and Helen.
18 Ronald Thomas Cutler, Raymond P. and Ruth L.
20 Frederick Lothrop Wallace, Frederick A. and Mary.
20 Francis Stanley Wallace, Frederick A. and Mary.
22 Winifred Josephine Colton, Francis J. and Winifred J.
23 John Harold Hasenfus, George H. and Augusta.
27 Dorris A. Kraus, Arthur H. and Dorris.
29 John William Cook, Holly R. and Dorothy.

July
2 Robert Thomas Rodgers, Henry S. and Laura J.
5 Louisa Clara Breda, John and Gaetana.
6 Richard Marki Leigh, Robert K. and Lydia.
7 Eleanor Tomaino, Bernard and Mary.
8 Selma Small, Myer and Beatrice.

July
15 June Louise Coughlin, Thomas F. and Elizabeth.
15 Cecelia Frances Malone, John J. V. and Agnes.
16 John Francis Kelley, Michael P. and Margaret.
18 Shirley Frances Gehling, Daniel C. and Hazel A.
20 Helen Louise Crumrine, Harold A. and Dellar L.
20 Richard Thomas Owens, Redmond J. and Anna.
21 John Norman Gledhill, Jr., John N. and Vera R.
22 Barbara Louise Knowles, James R. and Dorothy E.
24 Dorothy Hall, Henry A. and Adrienne.
27 Ruth Louise Donati, Edward L. and Mary.
28 Vincent Youdis, Peter and Julia.

Aug.
1 Phyllis Louise Powers, James R. and Mary L.
3 Harriet Amy Gates, Harry A. and Amy V.
7 Harold Edward Walton, Harold R. and Clara C.
7 Thelma Lillian Fitch, Frederick LeR. and Olive P.
13 Charles Garfield Mitchell, George G. and Stella.
14 Robert Laurence Parker, Laurence and Elizabeth.
14 John Harold Lagerstrom, George G. and Gertrude.
15 Cecelia Frances Malone, John J. and Agnes L.
17 Mary Ellen Miller, Otto H. and Mary A. V.
18 Walter Geelin Chambers, Jr., Walter G. and Ruth.
20 Marjorie Forristall, William H. and Maybell M.
20 Joan Darling Whetton, Frederick A. and Elizabeth.
21 Marderos Papilian, Apel and Akab.
24 June Elaine Wales, Roy F. and Kathleen.
27 Mary Elizabeth Gerstner, Rudolph A. and Carolyn E.
29 Elizabeth Porter Burns, Bertram P. and Mildred G.
29 Clair Phyllis O'Neill, Walter M. and Phyllis.
30 Sterling Edward Newcomb, Stanley A. and Gladys.

Sept.
1 Phyllis Teresa Haddock, Frank O. and Helen F.
1 Virginia Alline Davis, Albert W. and Florence E.
4 Barbara Elizabeth Lent, Lester B. and Gladys E.
6 Mary White, Jerome R. and Mary.
9 Raymond Ateo, Ricciardelli, Ettore and Mary.
10 Letitia Amory Sargent, Sullivan A., Jr., and Helen.
11 Jane Turner, Gordon W. and Sarah L.
11 Kenneth Sutherland, Joseph H. and Alice A.
16 Anne Whitaker, Holden and Kathleen.
17 Edna Mae Langdale, George N. and Carolyn.
17 Dwight Alfreton Carter, Horace R. and Anna M.
20 Elizabeth Mae Cobb, Henry F. and Mary C.
21 Grace Sciacca, Philip and Grace.
28 Charles Albert Orne, Jr., Charles A. and Ethelyn F.

Sept.
28 Raymond Wilmot Lambert, Wilmot R. and Mary A.
29 Teresa Sweeney, Thomas H. and Sarah I.
30 June Alicia Ramey, Lester K. and Hilda M.

Oct.
4 Marjorie Adeleen Hall, James R. and Eliza F.
4 Mildred Joyce Rogers, William F. and Lillian.
4 Arlene May Sharpe, Richard F. and Agnes M.
9 Robert Brandon McGrail, John A. and Marie.
9 Howard Norcom Smith, Jr., Howard N. and Edna.
12 Paul Merwyn Britt, Jr., Paul M. and Ellen S.
17 Helen Baird MacMillan, Harry and Marion.
22 Eleanor Makarovich, Emil and Julia.
25 Robert Grant Fowler, Gillford G. and Rachel J.
25 Robert Henry Peasley, Floyd E. and Dorothy.
26 Ronald Eugene Hurley, David J. and Fannie.
27 Samuel Terrazino, Angelo and Rosalie.
31 John Janiak, Jr., John and Aniala.
31 Wilma Estelle Cook, Lester O. and Mary M.

Nov.
2 Elizabeth MacIntyre Payn, William E. and Katherine.
2 Philip Ross, R. Neil and Anna E.
3 Joseph Santos, John and Mary.
3 Madith Lane Mulholland, William and Madith E.
4 Richard Hastings Reece, Robert C. and Lillian G.
6 Charles Arthur Forbush, Jr., Charles A. and Emily.
14 Harrison Cleaveland Turner, Harrison I. and Margaret.
15 Gladys Bamforth, Howard E. and Gladys.
15 Althea Baker, Channing N. and Edna.
17 Gloria Jane Martin, George A. C. and Ada J.
21 Theodore Seaman Thomas, Roby S. and Sarah.
22 Robert McNamara, Matthew J. and Isabelle.
23 Lena Mulvena Paoletti, Serafino and Rosa.
23 Dorothy Angiemae Danforth, Richard O. and Dorothy.
26 William McQuarrie Cook, William A. and Frances G.
28 Ethel Alice Walton, Arnold and Alice.

Dec.
1 Paul Wallace Seavey, Paul F. and Louise.
2 John Ernest Goodwin, John J. and Gertrude E.
2 Alice Emilie Warren, Shields and Alice.
3 Gordon Kenneth Mann, Kenneth E. and Ruth M.
3 Norine Christina Coyle, James and Nora.
3 Merrylyn Lee Ramsay, Merrill M. and Edna L.
5 Grace Helen Chase, Harold C. and Dorothy H.
5 Judith Hulse, Gould K. and Laura L.
10 Florence Caroline McClaren, Lewis P. and Lula A.

Dec.
11 John William Riley, Jr., John W. and Esther I.
12 John Rhynd, John A. and Nettie B.
13 Wayne Elliot Ringer, Charles W. and Leila.
19 Donald Byron Richwagen, Paul B. and Helen.
27 Joseph Asdourian, Mike and Annie.
30 Eleanor Maud Newey, Arthur F. and Minnie.

Males	80
Females	103
Both parents native born	104
One parent native born	35
Both parents foreign born	44

NOTICE

The attention of parents is called to the law relating to the registering of Births. The present requirements are as follows:

Chap. 29, Sec. 6, of the Revised Laws. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child . . . shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town or city in which such child is born.

Sec. 8. A parent . . . who neglects so to do for ten days after the time limited therefor, . . . shall forfeit not more than five dollars for each offense.

Attention of Physicians and Midwives is Called to Chapter 280, Sec. 1, Acts of 1912

Section 1. Physicians and midwives shall, within forty-eight hours after the birth of every child in cases of which they were in charge, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which the birth occurred, a notice stating the date and place of the birth, giving the street number, if any, the number of the ward in a city and the family name. Failure to mail or deliver the said notice shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each offense.

In accordance with the provisions of the law, the Town Clerk is prepared to furnish to parents, physicians, and midwives applying therefor, blanks for return of births as required by law.

MARRIAGES, 1926

1926

Jan.

9 Richard S. Johnson, Manchester, N. H.; Virginia F. Heald, Needham; at Manchester N. H., by Rev. LeRoy W. Stringfellow.

14 John Jeffrey Goodwin, Needham; Gertrude Elizabeth Forster, Needham; at Providence, R. I., by Rev. Henry H. Guernsey.

16 Lawrence Austin Welch, Dover, Mass.; Laura Hazel Diehl, Wellesley, Mass.; at Needham, by Rev. William D. Wilkie.

18 Peter Ward, Somerville, Mass.; Bridget Agnes McCadden, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

30 Victor Favot, Needham; Marie Violet Wiltshire, Needham; at Needham, by Winthrop M. Southworth, Justice of the Peace.

30 Chester Hamilton Carmichael, Needham; Susy Ashton Stevens, Needham; at Winchester, Mass. by Rev. Howard Chidley.

Feb.

2 Chester Warren Eaton, Needham; Blanche Frances Salt, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.

2 William James Lavoie, Newton, Mass.; Elizabeth Catherine Richards, Needham; at Newton, Mass., by James H. Murray, Justice of the Peace.

6 Frank Vellali, Needham; Columbia Savignano, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

20 Theodore Warren Edwards, Needham; Cora Mae Burke, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Richard G. Preston.

25 Wilmot Robinson Lambert, Needham; Mary Amelia Chambers, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. John Mason.

27 Lester Keith Raimey, Needham; Hilda May Ernest, Somerville, Mass.; at Needham, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.

Apr.

4 Richard Dennis Sullivan, Dedham, Mass.; Josephine Agnes Doran, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

6 Edwin Arnold Walton, Needham; Maude Alice Tate, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. J. C. Massee.

7 George William Braceland, Needham; Elizabeth Bernadette Joyce, Newton, Mass.; at Newton, Mass., by Rev. Frederick G. M. Driscoll.

Apr.

7 Forbes Alexander MacLeod, Needham; Margaret Elizabeth Delaney, Wellesley, Mass.; at Wellesley, Mass. by Rev. James H. D. Connell.

8 Michael Patrick Kelley, Newton, Mass.; Margaret Garballey, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

8 James Edward Driggs, Needham; Catherine Gertrude Hurley, Newton, Mass.; at Newton, Mass., by Rev. Frederick G. M. Driscoll.

10 Wilfred Raymond Dugdale, Dedham, Mass.; Constance Woodward, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Andrew H. Mulnix.

17 Winchester Sawyer, Newton, Mass.; Bertha C. Brown, Needham; at Montreal, Can., by Rev. Miles F. McCutcheon.

May

10 Ralph Wellington Lawson, Needham; Lillian Holmes Wragg, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. George B. Macdonald.

16 Vladimir J. Pochebit, Needham; Sophie Frances Pigaga, Needham; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Ormfrey Kowalsky.

26 John Albert Johnson, Newton, Mass.; Elizabeth Margaret Lorraine, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.

29 James Francis Burr, Watertown, Mass.; Elizabeth Mary Lewis, Needham; at Newton, Mass., by Rev. Frederick G. M. Driscoll.

June

1 Arnold Ernest Welch, Needham; Mildred Lafayette, Newton, Mass.; at Wellesley, Mass., by Rev. Stanley Rossfidus.

2 Roger Gordon Oakman, Needham; Lillian Blanche Swasey, Boston, Mass.; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. W. A. Marzolf.

5 John Alexander Rhynd, Needham; Nettie Bessie Marshall, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. John Mason.

5 Herbert Cornell Allen, Needham; Maude Adel Brown, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.

5 Arthur Geoffrey Smith, Needham; Lydia Helen MacKenzie, Milton, Mass.; at Milton, Mass., by Rev. Vivian T. Pomeroy.

6 William Abbott, Westfield, Mass.; Lillian Wood, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. John Mason.

9 Robert Cameron, Needham; Velma Winnifred Carter, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. George B. Macdonald.

June

14 John Leonard Savoy, Watertown, Mass.; Iva Mae Nearing, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

17 John Richard Lynch, Needham; Mary Frances Foley, Newton, Mass.; at Newton, Mass., by Rev. James F. Haney.

19 Eugene Franklin McCulloch, Needham; Iva Edna Tucker, Dedham, Mass.; at Dedham, Mass., by Rev. Francis L. Whittemore.

19 Douglas Tompkins, Rock Hill, S. C.; Pauline Estelle Rowell, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. George B. Macdonald.

20 Joseph Bedus, Needham; Victoria Kulpinska, Needham; at Lawrence, Mass., by Rev. Anthony M. Witkowski.

21 Antonio Cericola, Needham; Angiolina Tazza, Boston, Mass.; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Daniel Schiavone.

21 Dante Marcoaldi, Needham; Mary Martha MacDonald, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

28 Homer Melvin Shellenberger, Wakefield, Mass.; Frances Louise Bond, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. George B. Macdonald.

29 Wilford E. Slater, Dexter, Me.; Ruth Burleigh Shepherd, Dexter Me.; at Needham, by Rev. Stanley G. Spear.

July

1 Guy Willis Merrill, Needham; Abbie Florence Barrett, Newton, Mass.; at Needham, by Rev. John Mason.

2 Anthony James McPhee, Boston, Mass.; Margaret Agnes Burns, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

4 William Henry Hutt, Needham; Nora A. Burke, Boston, Mass.; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Charles B. Gaffney.

10 John Campbell Kennedy, Waltham, Mass.; Alberta Estelle Smith, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Francis E. Webster.

12 George Frederick Hoey, Needham; Isabella Gonzalo, Needham; at Newton, Mass., by Rev. William Shaw.

15 Thomas Joseph Gaughan, Needham; Gertrude Helen Kelley, Boston, Mass.; at Brookline, Mass., by Rev. J. A. Quigley.

17 John Bernard Collins, Ashland, Mass.; Mary Madeline Fitzgerald, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

21 Theodore Gregory, Needham; Eva Robillard, Boston, Mass.; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Harry H. Hall.

25 Patrick Russell McKinnon, Needham; Flora Mae Saunders, Needham; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. C. I. Wilson.

28 Edward Anthony Stephenson, Jr., Needham; Alice Mae Holdensen, Boston, Mass.; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

Aug.

4 Herbert Loraine Dodge, Needham; Ruth Richardson, Millis, Mass.; at Millis, Mass., by Rev. Moses R. Lovett.

14 Ignatius John Darwinski, Needham; Mary Claver Coyle, Boston, Mass.; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Joseph V. Tracy.

16 Albert Morris, Needham; Dorothy Ruth Coleman, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Richard G. Preston.

16 Arthur R. Batson, Needham; Myrtle Alice Cochrane, Needham; at Portsmouth, N. H., by Rev. Elisha M. Lake.

18 Michael John Murphy, Needham; Catherine Cecelia Cooney, Newton, Mass.; at Wellesley, Mass., by Rev. J. J. Flood.

25 Alvin Dexter Parker, Needham; Florence Sophia Covell, Needham; at Fitchburg, Mass., by Rev. John W. Moore.

28 Charles Grover Hennrikus, Newton, Mass.; Winnifred Frances Gould, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

29 Harold Radley Welch, Needham; Blanche Alice Tuttle, Wilton, N. H.; at Wilton, N. H., by Rev. E. M. Grant.

30 Raymond Augusta Parker, Needham; Harriett Hackett, Newton, Mass.; at Providence, R. I., by Rev. Elmer E. Loux.

Sept.

4 Albert Benedix Pfeifer, Needham; Margaret Lillian MacDonald, Newton, Mass.; at Newton, Mass., by Rev. Frederick G. M. Driscoll.

4 Richard Harding Mosher, Watertown, Mass.; Elena Provost Roberts, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Richard G. Preston.

4 Martin Edward Gaykan, Boston, Mass.; Ada Mary Morton, Needham; at Brattleboro, Vt., by Carl S. Hopkins, Justice of the Peace.

8 Francis Knowles, Jr., Hanover, N. H.; Dorothy Edith Norris, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. John T. Dallas.

10 Samuel Luke Taylor, Needham; Mildred Helen Eldredge, Needham; at Needham, by Clarence E. Foss, Justice of the Peace.

11 Leon Herman Leeman, Needham; Etta Morrison, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. John Mason.

12 Stephen Cunningham, Newton, Mass.; Alice Gertrude Lyons, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

15 Wendell Bernard Higgins, Dover, Mass.; Annette Louise Engstrom, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Richard G. Preston.

Sept.

20 Pietro Benedetti, Needham; Rosa De Angelis, Providence, R. I.; at Providence, R. I., by Rev. Flaminio Parenti.

22 Edmund Clark Fitzgerald, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mary Teresa Foley, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

24 Mason Traill Bird, Needham; Bertha Lillian Corthell, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. John Mason.

27 John H. Brown, Needham; Roxana Eliza Duncan, Boston, Mass.; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. Winfield S. Holland.

29 Karl Basil Smith, Needham; Gladys Mae Nixon, Nova Scotia; at Needham, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.

Oct.

12 Russell Conwell Williams, Needham; Hazel Hudson Chase, Wellesley, Mass.; at Wellesley, by Rev. Carl M. Gates.

15 Edward Everett Crosscup, Jr., Medfield, Mass.; Grace Horne Murdoch, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.

27 Leslie Stewart Asbell, New Brunswick; Bertha Mae Smith, Nova Scotia; at Needham, by Rev. G. B. Macdonald.

30 William Charles Anderson, Needham; Mary Susan Cook, Boston, Mass.; at Needham, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.

31 Richard Fernand Beaudoin, Needham; Marie Leda Lampron, Boston, Mass.; at Brookline, Mass., by Rev. J. A. Quigley.

Nov.

5 Edmund Adalbert Parr, Needham; Rena Josephine Clarke, Needham; at Framingham, Mass., by Rev. William G. Sewell.

8 Elmer Mills, Needham; Sadie Annie Gwinn, Boston, Mass.; at Needham, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.

16 Stanley Washburn Fish, Needham; Louise Gertrude Noether, Boston, Mass.; at Brookline, Mass., by Rev. Stephen H. Roblin.

20 Rally Pandolf, Needham; Josephine Sabadini, Boston, Mass.; at Needham, by Clarence E. Foss, Justice of the Peace.

22 John Joseph McLellan, Waltham, Mass.; Sarah Mary Strang, Needham; at Needham, by Rev. Hugh M. Smith.

Dec.

4 Pietro Ricciardelli, Needham; Angelina Colantonio, Milford, Mass.; at Needham, by Clarence E. Foss, Justice of the Peace.

11 Russell Emerson Macy, Boston, Mass.; Irene Anderson Turney, Needham; at Boston, Mass., by Rev. J. Stanley Light.

24 John Patrick Carr, Newton, Mass.; Emily (Tomes) Julian, Newton, Mass.; at Needham, by Winthrop M. Southworth, Justice of the Peace.

29 Lawson William Gassett, Newton, Mass.; Margaret Mary Lawson, Needham; at Wellesley, Mass., by Rev. Carl M. Gates.

30 Herbert William Woodland, Newton Mass.; Ethel Proctor Newton, Mass.; at Needham, by Rev. John Mason.

Number of marriages registered	87
Bride and groom both native born	56
Bride and groom both foreign born	13
Native groom, foreign bride	7
Foreign groom, native bride	11
Groom and bride residents	24
Groom resident	31
Bride resident	27
Bride and groom non-residents	5

NOTICE

Persons who intend to be joined in marriage in this Commonwealth shall, not less than five days before their marriage, cause notice of their intention to be entered in the office of the clerk of registrars of the city or town in which they respectively dwell, or if they do not dwell within the Commonwealth, in the office of the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which they propose to have the marriage solemnized.

Chapter 151, Section 29, Revised Laws

If a marriage is solemnized in another state between parties living in this Commonwealth, who return to dwell here, they shall within seven days after their return, file with the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which either of them lived at the time of their marriage, a certificate or declaration of their marriage, including the facts relative to marriage which are required by law, and for neglect thereof shall forfeit ten dollars.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1926

Date	Name of Deceased	Age Y.	M.	D.	Place of Birth	Place of Burial	Cause of Death
1926							
Jan.							
8	Virginia L. Babbitt	69	3	18	Foxboro, Mass.	Brookline, Mass.	Carcinoma
8	Giacomo Baldelli	41	6	13	Italy	Needham	Carcinoma
9	James Morrison	43	10	30	Scotland	Needham	Heart Disease
9	Miriam Whitaker	82	9	1	Hancock, Me.	Lamoine, Me.	Broncho-penumonia
10	Clara A. Gay	84	2	27	Needham	Needham	Influenza
10	Anna B. Norris	74	11	30	Milton, Mass.	Dedham, Mass.	Myocarditis
12	Laura J. Gardner	86	3	12	Needham	Needham	Broken Hip
17	Lyman Wilcox	87	1	10	Woonsocket, R. I.	Needham	Arteriosclerosis
18	William Howard Elwell	57	4	18	Gloucester, Mass.	Gloucester	Angina Pectoris
18	Elizabeth Newbegin	66	9	13	Bridgton, Me.	Boston, Mass.	Cerebral Syphilis
21	Lillis Jane Wasburn	70	2	5	Orrington, Me.	Wrentham, Mass.	Carcinoma
22	Joan G. Smith	63	7	24	Scotland	Needham	Carcinoma
27	Richard Warren Hollis	3	1	6	Natick, Mass.	Boston	Struck by Automobile
Feb.							
1	Lena Storer Heron	62	8	10	Waldoboro, Me.	Waldoboro, Me,	Apoplexy
4	Rose H. McCloud	60	0	0	Ireland	Boston, Mass.	Carcinoma
4	Henry Joseph Perry	55	0	7	Hanover, Mass.	Wayland, Mass.	Carcinoma
4	Keith G. Douglas				Needham	Needham	Asphyxia
6	Abbie Sophia Wyman	88	4	29	Ashland, Mass.	Malden, Mass.	Heart Disease
8	Emma Maria Hall	78	8	18	Brewer, Me.	So. Walpole, Mass.	Cancer
10	Margaret Sarah Linkletter	63	0	16	Prince Edward Isl.	Prince Edward Isl.	Myocarditis
23	Ethel Estelle Broadley	37	4	11	Frederickton, N. B.	Needham	Pneumonia
25	Chester Walker Jacobson	1	6	26	Needham	Needham	Meningitis
27	Annie Smoshonsky	90	0	0	Russia	Boston, Mass.	Apoplexy
Mar.							
8	John A. Sullivan	74	8	5	Dover, Mass.	Dover, Mass.	Arteriosclerosis
11	Lillian A. Scholz	41	4	19	England	Wellesley, Mass.	Heart Disease
13	Edward Palmer	0	0	10	Needham	Needham	

19	Emily Wright Every	84	11	25	Prince Edward Isl.	Newton, Mass.	Varicose Ulcers
24	Eugenia Knox Clark	51	3	25	Chelsea, Mass.	Boston, Mass.	Heart Disease
27	Fred William Plummer	65	11	19	Raymond, Me.	Raymond, Me.	Cancer
30	Susan Winifred Barnes	73	4	22	Boston, Mass.	Brookline, Mass.	Pneumonia
Apr.							
1	Catherine P. Shepperson	66	4	26	Nova Scotia	Needham	Apoplexy
2	Jane Blankenburg	69	5	23	Nova Scotia	Needham	Pneumonia
4	Irving Fawcett Newcomb	56	2	9	Wellfleet, Mass.	Needham	Brights Disease
8	Florence Emily Mills	25	3	8	Stow, Mass.	Needham	Influenza
17	Mary Josephine Garrity	84			Ireland	Boston, Mass.	Carcinoma
19	Thomas Richard Kenefick	58	8	23	Newton, Mass.	Needham	Carcinoma
20	Mary Wye	86	4	21	England	Needham	Colitis
30	Mary Reddam	67	0	10	Boston, Mass.	Boston, Mass.	Apoplexy
30	Jennie A. Hutchinson	75	11	18	Bath, N. H.	Needham	Erysipelas
May							
1	Mary Rice Parker	62	1	23	Prince Edward Isl.	Needham	Arteriosclerosis
9	Mary Lee Elliot	70	6	11	Brookline, Mass.	Boston, Mass.	Peritonitis
12	Cecelia R. Curtis	45	7	17	Salem, Mass.	Salem, Mass.	Tuberculosis
16	George Brackett Towle	79	0	26	Center Harbor, N. H.	Meredith, N. H.	Arteriosclerosis
17	Ernest L. Tabor	40	3	25	Canada	Needham	Peritonitis
24	Augustus Rossi	45	9	4	Italy	Needham	Pericarditis
28	Mary Anastia Kelly	89	2	24	Portland, Me.	Watertown, Mass.	Pneumonia
29	Carmella Borrelli		2	20	Needham	Needham	Pneumonia
31	Michael John Quinlan	76	5	0	New Brunswick	Needham	Apoplexy
June							
4	Marino Robert Stefanelli	22	6	10	Boston, Mass.	Dedham, Mass.	Heart Disease
4	Elizabeth Tucker	75	6	19	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia	Arteriosclerosis
7	August H. Clouten	78	2	1	Germany	Boston, Mass.	Arteriosclerosis
11	Flora MacKenzie	69	6	27	Prince Edward Isl.	Needham	Cancer
18	Samuel Rosenblat	52	10	3	Russia	Woburn, Mass.	Apoplexy
18	John P. Riese	58	1	19	Boston, Mass.	Bedford, Mass.	Apoplexy
19	Richard O. Bamberg	52	7	9	Norway	Everett, Mass.	Pneumonia
23	Armand Ficcardi	1	9	27	Needham	Needham	Peritonitis
29	Mary Jane Wilson	61			Scotland	Tewksbury, Mass.	Pneumonia
30	Caroline Brown Royal	89	10	12	Atkinson, Me.	Needham	Arteriosclerosis

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1926

Date	Name of Deceased	Age Y.	M.	D.	Place of Birth	Place of Burial	Cause of Death
July							
2	Eugene Hobart Sweetland	47	3	0	Natick, Mass.	Natick, Mass.	Thrombosis
2	James Welden Reid	82	10	16	Nova Scotia	Needham	Myocarditis
5	Saloma Desdemona Dunham	88	8	0	Wrentham, Mass.	Bellingham, Mass.	Pneumonia
12	Frederick Walwin Morton	61	0	4	England	Newton, Mass.	Abscess
21	Peter D. Swaim	15	9	20	Dedham, Mass.	Dedham, Mass.	Fractured Skull
26	Sarah Elizabeth Bradley	76			Gardner, Me.	Boston, Mass.	Heart Disease
29	Kate Colby Downie	66	0	24	Boston, Mass.	Boston, Mass.	Carcinoma
30	Jean Duncan Anderson Rogers	49	7	5	Scotland	Everett, Mass.	Septicemia
Aug.							
1	Edward Barnicle	46			Ireland	Needham	Arteriosclerosis
11	Lena Spiro	32	4	1	Albania	Needham	Tuberculosis
14	Mary Anne Foley	59	8		Needham	Needham	Apoplexy
28	Henrietta Anna Briggs Joslin	79	4	25	Providence, R. I.	Providence, R. I.	Arteriosclerosis
29	James A. Bradlee	84			Boston, Mass.	Malden, Mass.	Arteriosclerosis
Sept.							
5	Sarah A. Pierpont	90			Boston, Mass.	Boston, Mass.	Arteriosclerosis
6	Artemus Tewksbury	46			Boston, Mass.	Winthrop, Mass.	Nephritis
10	Adeline Trask Davis	45			Everett, Mass.	Gloucester, Mass.	Endocarditis
12	Alice Maude Baker	60	7	26	Nova Scotia	Boston, Mass.	Arteriosclerosis
15	David Starrett SmithChapman	70	11	21	Baltimore, Md.	Boston, Mass.	Apoplexy
23	Emily Ann Noyes	87	7	5	Kingston, R. I.	Willimantic, Conn.	Accident
Oct.							
9	George L. Kennedy	83	6	4	England	Needham	Carcinoma
21	Stillborn						
23	Adam Waitkumas	48	8	20	Lithuania	Needham	Cardiac Sclerosis
24	William L. Tobey	65	11	20	Worcester, Mass.	Everett, Mass.	Arteriosclerosis
26	Emeline Orlinda Bartlett	89	3	11	Bellingham, Mass.	Worcester, Mass.	Arteriosclerosis
29	Helen Chilson		4	17	Needham	Needham	Diarrhoea

Nov.						
1	Clara Wallis	70 7 29	Lowell, Mass.	Needham	Apoplexy
2	Laurilla Frances Bartlett	79 11 14	Boston, Mass.	Boston, Mass.	Angina Pectoris
13	Daniel Mahoney	70	Ireland	Boston, Mass.	Myocarditis
16	John D. Smith, Jr.	20 7 24	Quincy, Mass.	Quincy, Mass.	Tuberculosis
21	Charles W. Coleman	46 10	Boston, Mass.	Boston, Mass.	Angina Pectoris
21	John Frederick Kroog	53 0 19	Hoboken, N. J.	Providence, R. I.	Apoplexy
22	Jennie Hannah Sawyer	72 11 5	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.	Angina Pectoris
24	Laura Jane Eaton	87 2 26	Wells, Me.	Wells, Me.	Heart Disease
28	Mary Ann Coon	63 11 4	Scranton, Pa.	Needham	Cardiac Hypertrophy
30	William MacQuarrie Cook	5	Needham	Needham	Obstruction Bile Duct
Dec.					
2	Catherine F. Richardson	68	Ireland	Needham	Heart Disease
14	Catherine Hagghnore	66 2 21	Nova Scotia	Needham	Heart Disease
15	Catherine Shallis	33 10 15	Ireland	Needham	Tuberculosis
20	John Whitwell Wildman	54 7 27	England	Needham	Carcinoma
22	Robert Campbell Williams	33 2 25	Lexington, Mass.	Needham	Automobile Accident
23	Florence Sarah Wye	66 3 9	England	Needham	Apoplexy
31	Lucrezia Salamone	66 4 13	Italy	Needham	Tuberculosis

DEATHS

Number of deaths registered in 1926 (exclusive of still-borns)	
Number of males	46
Number of females	54
Number of native born	62
Number of foreign born	38

Stillborn	7
Under one year	6
Between one and five years	3
Between five and ten years	—
Between ten and fifteen years	—
Between fifteen and twenty years	1
Between twenty and thirty years	3
Between thirty and forty years	4
Between forty and fifty years	12
Between fifty and sixty years	11
Between sixty and seventy years	23
Between seventy and eighty years	18
Between eighty and ninety years	18
Over ninety years	1

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

FOR THE YEAR 1926

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REPORT OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham:

The following is submitted as the two hundred and fourteenth annual report of the Board of Selectmen.

Organization

Alfred J. Mercer, *Chairman*
William P. Brown, *Secretary*
Henry D. Blackman
S. Mabel Mackenzie, *Clerk to the Board*

Francis J. Standwood, *Agent,*
Insurance, Distribution of State Aid, Military Aid, and Soldiers' Relief

Frederick I. Kingsbury, *Agent,*
Care of Graves of Soldiers and Sailors of the U. S. Army and Navy

Highways

The usual work of repairing and maintaining the highways was carried on this year under the supervision of Mr. John H. Overton, who, on April 1, 1926, was appointed Superintendent of Streets to succeed Mr. Sancrie. Mr. Overton has been connected with the Highway Department of this Town for many years and is thoroughly conversant with its road conditions and needs.

Due to the dangerous condition last spring of many of the outlying streets much of the work this season has been in the nature of repairs. There are still many sections of road which should be treated with bituminous materials and many other sections which should be rebuilt. Many of these roads are gravel surfaced, constructed to accommodate the type of vehicular traffic of twenty years ago and wholly unfit to withstand the tremendous load which the increasing amount of motor travel has placed upon them in recent years. In order to avoid heavy expenditures in the future, bituminous construction should be undertaken each year on some portion of these roads, which, in many cases, are main arteries connecting the adjacent towns.

The Board of Selectmen is aware of the very bad condition of the Square at Needham. The old rail which has been uncovered by the wearing of the road surface is a serious menace to automobile or other traffic. This rail should be

removed, necessitating the rebuilding of the street in this section.

The stone crusher was put into operation during the summer. The Superintendent states that the stone produced is of excellent quality, meeting the State requirements for use on Central Avenue, and at a material saving in cost. The Board feels that it is to the Town's advantage to continue the use of the crusher. It produces stone at a cost lower than that at which it can be purchased, it provides employment for residents of the Town, and the stone dust which is a by-product, is of value for many purposes.

The work on Central Avenue was continued under the supervision of the State Department of Public Works. A large section was built. An increase of $5,000 in the appropriation is asked this year in order that the remaining link between Hunnewell Street and Wellesley Avenue may be completed and a large section of the road constructed from Great Plain Avenue toward Charles River. The State and County together contribute an amount equal to that expended by the Town. An appropriation of $15,000 will give a total of $30,000 for construction which is necessary to carry out this program. This is in accordance with the request of the State Department.

The Great Plain Avenue sidewalk was built from Stevens Road to some distance beyond the railroad bridge, a greater distance than was originally estimated could be constructed with the amount of money appropriated. This was made possible by the use of stone dust from the stone crusher, the by-product previously mentioned, which was used on this walk.

Because of the many accidents which had occurred at Bond's corner on Great Plain Avenue, this right angle curve was relocated and widened by the County Commissioners in 1925, the necessary filling being done that year. This year the work of permanent construction was completed, making a wide curve and eliminating most of the dangerous features that existed formerly. A traffic beacon was installed there without cost to the Town, it having been taken from the Square at Needham where it had been replaced by a traffic box.

The Board commends the work of the Highway Department during the past season and wishes to express its appreciation of the efficiency of the Superintendent and of his willingness to co-operate at all times.

Sidewalks

All granolithic sidewalks petitioned for which it has been felt practicable to build have been constructed this year, leaving no old petitions on hand for 1927.

There are many sections, particularly on the outlying streets, where no sidewalks exist, forcing pedestrians to walk in the roadway. This is a practice particularly dangerous to children and to persons walking after dark. Some sort of gravel walk should be built in these sections, notably Chestnut Street, under the railroad bridge, Webster Street from May Street to Mellen Street, and Highland Avenue from Webster Street to property of Preston Mitchell.

It is sometimes argued that people fail to use sidewalks after they are provided. This is unfortunately true in many instances, but it does not relieve the Town of the responsibility of providing a safe place for pedestrians upon the highways.

Drainage

The enlargement of the areas developed for residential sections and the construction of new streets has proportionately increased the need for additional street drainage. At the present time the outlets are overtaxed and are inadequate to take care of a quick flow of water. It is important that the surface water, especially in and about the Square, be disposed of as rapidly as possible. There should be a definite program of drainage construction, and an appropriation made each year to carry out some part of such a program.

One of the serious drainage problems is that existing at Memorial Park. At this point water collects from three sources—from the highway, the athletic field on the Park, and from the sub-drain of the sewer—forming a stagnant pool at the southwest corner of the Park. The sub-drain of the sewer has been of great benefit to the Needham Heights section and it is felt that it would be extremely unwise to close it. The Board has conferred with the Sewer Department and hopes to have some solution of the problem to offer at an early date.

It is recommended that a drainage system be a part of the construction on all new streets.

Bridges

The appropriation for the building of Pierce Bridge over the Charles River between Needham and Dover is again unexpended, it having been found insufficient to meet the estimated cost of construction. Plans have been drawn by the State Engineering Department and the cost is estimated at approximately $25,000, which amount does not include the cost of approaches. One-third of the cost of the bridge will be paid by each town and the remaining third by the County. It will, therefore, be necessary not only to carry over

the original appropriation, but to appropriate an additional $3,500.

The work of construction will be supervised by the State Engineering Department without cost to the Town.

Snow Removal

As the street mileage of the Town increases, the practice of plowing both accepted and unaccepted streets which has been followed for a number of years makes it expedient for the Town to consider in the near future replacing the old sidewalk plows with modern equipment which will cover the territory at a lower cost and in a shorter time.

As in previous years the Town obtained the use of two blade plows from the State Highway Department. These are attached to local trucks and used to much advantage in clearing the highways during the progress of storms.

Engineering Department

The greater part of the engineering work of the Highway Department has been taken over by Mr. Lester C. Hollis, engineer for the Sewer Department. This has resulted in a material saving to the Town in engineering expense, as the cost of the work was credited to the Sewer Department, the engineer receiving no additional compensation. It has proved to be a most satisfactory arrangement from every standpoint, and is a practical demonstration of the need and desirability of a Town Engineering Department.

Parking

The parking problem is a delicate one to handle because of its importance to the business interests and to the general welfare of the Town. It is too important to be decided by hasty judgment. In the near future it is probable that it will be necessary to adopt limited parking, but this should be done only after thorough investigation and proper consideration. Before the Town adopts a limited parking period there ought to be provided a place for unlimited parking. This problem requires careful study and consideration that a solution may be presented satisfactory to the whole community.

Police Department

The work of the Police Department is covered by the report of the Chief.

The Town is growing rapidly and the amount of motor vehicle traffic increases daily. It is essential to the safety of the community that the amount of police protection increase correspondingly. We recommend the addition of two permanent men this year, making it possible to keep the police tation covered the greater part of the time.

Attention is again called to the need of installing a police signalling system as a step towards greater efficiency and more adequate protection.

Two traffic boxes have been installed, one at Chestnut Street and Great Plain Avenue, and one at the junction of Great Plain, Highland, and Dedham Avenues. The boxes are less in orginal cost than the traffic beacons which they replace, and there are no maintenance costs. They are a protection to the officer in winter and summer, and afford him a longer range of vision for traffic direction. It is felt that there are a number of other places where a traffic stand could be used to advantage.

An automatic traffic signal is being installed for trial at the corner of Webster Street and Great Plain Avenue, which has been the scene of many accidents. This is a signal of a type being installed in many of the adjacent communities. If the signal works out successfully it may be possible to install similar signals at some of the other dangerous intersections where accidents are frequent.

The Board of Selectmen recognizes and appreciates the excellent work of the Department during the past year.

Transportation

When the New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company made it known that unless a bus license was granted their subsidiary, the New England Transportation Company, the already inadequate train service would be reduced, an appeal was made to the Department of Public Utilities to prevent such reduction of service. At a hearing held upon this appeal it was evident that immediate and aggressive action must be taken if the Town were to avert this undesirable cut in the train service.

The Board of Selectmen, feeling this was an issue of very great importance to the Community appointed a transportation committee, in order that Needham's transportation problem in all its phases—bus, railroad, and electric—might be studied in detail by a group of citizens a part of whose time would not have to be given to other Town matters, and in order that there might be one central body through whom all transportation suggestions might pass.

The Committee appointed was as follows:

Arthur H. Wilde
Winthrop M. Southworth
Lloyd K. Allen
Allston R. Bowers
James M. McCracken
William P. Brown

and organized with Doctor Wilde as Chairman, and Mr.

Southworth as Secretary. Mr. Edgar J. Rich, former counsel for the Boston and Maine Railroad was engaged as transportation counsel and through his efforts and those of the Committee the rail schedule was retained without reduction, which itself sufficiently justifies the action of the Board.

The Board feels that not only the Selectmen but the Town as a whole is much indebted to this Committee for its untiring efforts in behalf of better transportation service. Individually each member has devoted much time and personal effort, and each has contributed much to the success of the Committee's undertaking.

Appended is the Secretary's report to the Board of Selectmen which will give in detail the work of the Committee.

Board of Health

In accordance with the vote of the Town a Board of Health independent of the Board of Selectmen will be elected in March, 1927. Daily records are being kept in the office at Needham of the contagious diseases. These records will be turned over to the incoming Board.

The discontinuance of many cesspools because of connection with the sewer creates a condition which may well become a danger in a few years. With this in mind the Board of Selectmen urgently recommends that these abandoned cesspools be filled as speedily as possible.

The Board wishes to especially commend the work of the Agent, Mr. H. E. Berger, Jr., who has willingly investigated every complaint and has been most constant in his attention to all matters relating to the Health Department.

Fire Alarm

In June the Board of Selectmen held a joint meeting with the Fire Engineers, to which Mr. Leonard Dawson was invited, for the purpose of discussing the present fire alarm system with relation to re-numbering the boxes so that present and new boxes will be systematically located. The Board believes that this should be done and recommends that the improvement be made this year. Mr. Dawson and the Fire Engineers were appointed a committee to investigate and report. Their report is appended.

Law Department

Following is a list of cases pending against the Town.

Case	Cause of Action	Year
Mary A. Storey, *et al*	Damages for the discontinuance of Day Street	1919
George Fred Williams,	Damages for the discontinuance of Day Street,	1919
Frances A. Williams,	Damages for the discontinuance of Day Street,	1919
Clara M. Holmes,	Falling on High School steps,	1921

All the above cases have been placed on the so-called Inactive List and may later be dismissed for want of prosecution.

Babson Institute,	Abatement of taxes,	1924
Babson Institute,	Abatement of taxes,	1925
Babson Institute,	Abatement of taxes,	1926
John A. Bird,	Fall on defective highway (Central Avenue)	1925
Fannie Davis,	Fall on defective walk (opposite The Crest)	1926
Lemage Ramey,	Taking of land for sewers,	1926
Frank H. Street Co.,	Sewer contract,	1926
Louis Balboni,	Additional compensation for constructing sewers,	1927

Suits against the Town and County of Norfolk:

Case	Cause of Action	Year
First Baptist Church,	Land Taking Great Plain Avenue,	1926
Florence E. Eaton,	Land Taking Great Plain Avenue,	1926

Suits against the County of Norfolk:

Case	Cause of Action	Year
John Stevens,	Land Taking Great Plain Avenue,	1926
Roscoe L. Davidson,	Land Taking Great Plain Avenue,	1926

In addition to the above there are twelve claims against the Town, none of which have developed into law suits and probably never will.

There is also pending a claim of the H. S. Locke & Sons Company *vs.* F. H. Street Co., in which the plaintiff seeks to charge the Town as Trustee of the F. H. Street Co.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to express its appreciation of the splendid spirit which has been shown by all the departments in working together for the best interests of the Town, and is especially appreciative of the co-operation of the Finance Committee and the Sewer Committee in the numerous important matters which have been taken up with them during the year.

ALFRED J. MERCER,
WILLIAM P. BROWN,
HENRY D. BLACKMAN,
Selectmen of Needham.

REPORT OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Transportation Committee, appointed by you, and serving with its acts subject to final approval by you, submits through you to the citizens of Needham, a brief review of its work which though far from completed has, the Committee feels, been of considerable benefit to the Town.

Mr. Edgar J. Rich, an experienced railroad attorney, was retained as counsel, and since the railroad situation was at a crisis with a new time table to be issued on September 23rd, and a hearing scheduled for September 8th, the committee began its work with a study of steam rail transportation. New Haven officials were not inclined to consider further conferences, giving as their reason the fact that the Town, in many discussions had not been able to agree as to what it wanted, and that too many different committees, groups, and individuals had to be dealt with. The Committee succeeded in re-establishing the most friendly relations between the New Haven Railroad and the Town; in retaining the steam schedule then in operation and which would undoubtedly have been seriously curtailed with the approval of the Public Utilities Commission, on September 23rd last. The Committee further succeeded in securing the consent of the Railroad to an indefinite adjournment of the hearing before the Public Utilities Commission upon the abandonment of the signal tower at Needham Junction and of one line of the rails between the Junction and West Roxbury. It next started a campaign to secure a greater use of the trains by Needham people, and, by the very hearty co-operation of the people, succeeded in its efforts along these lines. As the result of a conference with Vice-President Russell, the Railroad is now trying to re-arrange the Needham schedule so that certain morning, night, and Saturday trains may run at times which will better accommodate the business people of the Town. These particular changes have been asked for because they seem, from the postal cards returned by some 1,300 people, to be those which will best serve the majority.

The Committee feels that while there is an obligation on the part of the railroad, as a public service corporation, there is also an obligation on the part of the Town. The Committee believes that a better schedule than now exists, would prove its justification in a short time; the railroad is open minded, but wants evidence that the Committee's belief is correct. There is but one way that the evidence can be given; every Needham business man, regularly going to Boston, must regularly use the trains; every Needham business man going to Boston as occasion requires, must make an effort to plan his

trips at hours when he can use the trains. Upon this depends not only the continuance of the present schedule, but all hope of securing a better schedule. An improved schedule is of vital interest to every Needham property owner, since without it real estate values will certainly depreciate. An improved schedule, the committee believes, is not at all impossible, if the people will show by their acts, a real desire for it. Automobiles, as a usual method of transportation to Boston, must be given up, not only in winter, but in summer, and, on those times when circumstances compel an individual to use his car, the committee particularly warns against taking away from the railroad those passengers who would otherwise use the trains. In this practice, the committee believes that the railroad has a very justifiable grievance.

The problem of transportation, via electric cars, to Watertown, has not been overlooked, but at present the committee believes that the initiative lies with the Middlesex & Boston Company, and is in complete accord with the policy of the Selectmen. Sooner or later, this question will probably come up again, but just now there seems to be little that can be done which will be of any permanent advantage to the Town.

If the committee is to continue what it believes has so far been a successful work, it is necessary that all matters pertaining to transportation be submitted through it to whatever officials are concerned. It is working in close touch with the Selectmen and with the Board of Trade and will continue to do so. Suggestions from individuals will not only be welcomed but are wanted; only by such suggestions can the committee, in the fullest sense represent the whole Town. In order that suggestions may be properly recorded, the committee requests that they be made in writing and sent to the Secretary.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

WINTHROP. M. SOUTHWORTH,

Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRE ALARM SIGNAL SYSTEM

December 30, 1926.

A joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and Fire Engineers, was held on June 28, 1926, to which Leonard Dawson was invited. It was decided a study should be made of the fire alarm system with the particular object of dividing the system into zones, renumbering present boxes according to these zones, and establishing future box locations; so that

these, and other improvements, would so far as possible be of a permanent nature.

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, and Mr. Dawson, acting as a committee, have made a careful study. At present the committee's report is limited to the following questions: Zoning, Fire Alarm Boxes, including school and hospital, Fire Box Posts, Illumination of Boxes, and Mutual Aid Alarm Systems.

1. *Zoning*

It is recommended that the present fire alarm boxes be renumbered in accordance with fixed zones as shown on the accompanying map and as described as follows:

All boxes commencing with *one* in the Needham District.

All boxes commencing with *two* in the Needham Heights District.

All boxes commencing with *three* in the Needham Upper Falls District and beyond Greendale Avenue to Brookline Street.

All boxes commencing with *four* will be in the Needham District beyond Webster Street and Birds Hill District.

All boxes commencing with *five*, *six*, and *seven* will be in the outlying districts, and beyond Needham Junction, High Rock Street, and Central Avenue.

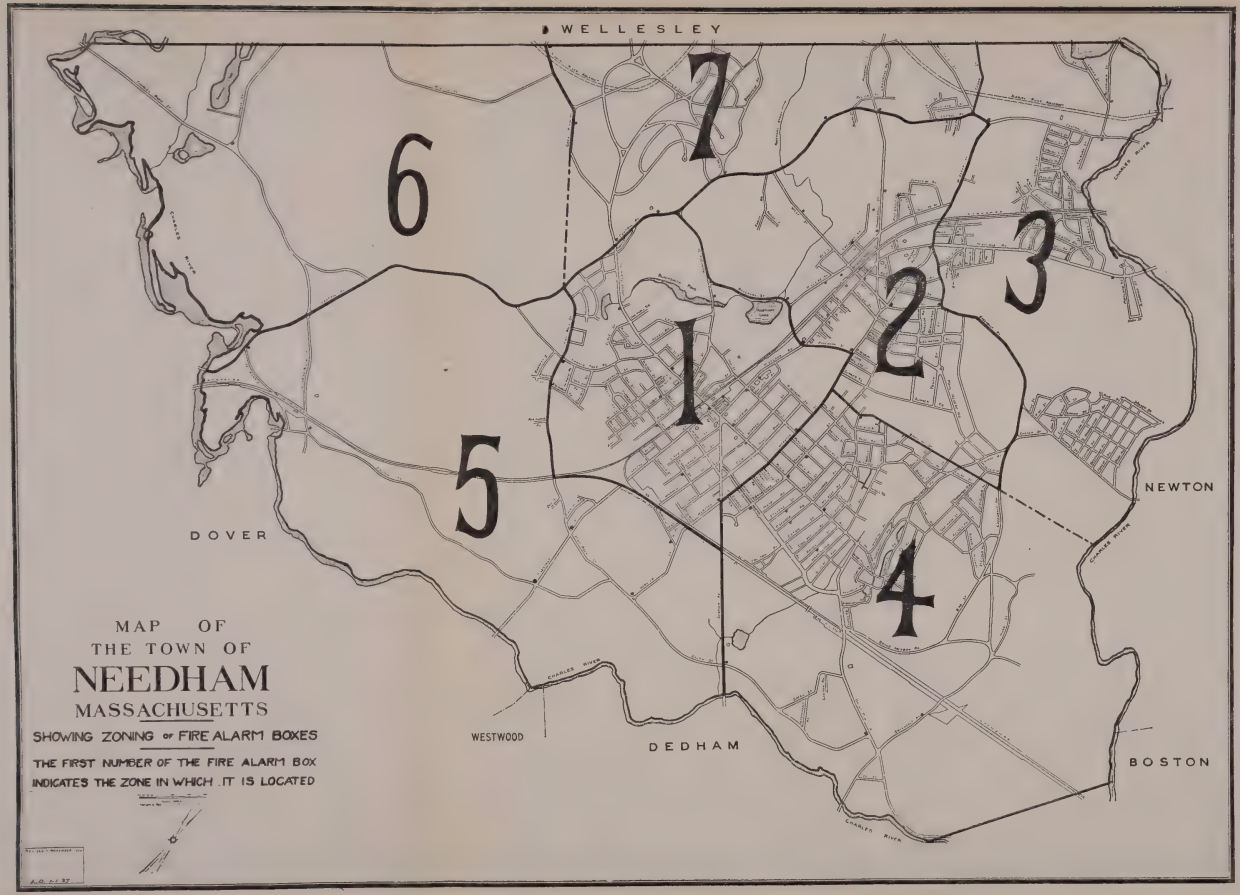
This will eliminate present and avoid future confusion in locations of box numbers and it will materially aid the firemen in quickly picturing the location upon the sounding of any alarm. The first number of any box will indicate the zone in which it is located, while the second number will have a certain relation as to locality in that particular zone.

2. *Present Fire Alarm Boxes*

Of the boxes now in use, 27 boxes are of the non-interference and succession type and 35 are of an obsolete type and not in accordance with good fire alarm practice. If two of this obsolete type of box are pulled together on the same circuit there will be an interference in signals and if two of this type of box are pulled on different circuits at the same time, one of the signals is liable to be entirely lost. These boxes should be gradually supplanted by the successive non-interfering type.

3. *School House Boxes*

The proposed numbering of boxes has been arranged so that all school houses can be readily equipped with public fire alarm boxes. This protection has been adopted in a great many cities and towns and some places make it obligatory to place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THE TOWN OF
NEEDHAM
MASSACHUSETTS
SHOWING ZONING OF FIRE ALARM BOXES
THE FIRST NUMBER OF THE FIRE ALARM BOX
INDICATES THE ZONE IN WHICH IT IS LOCATED

one of these boxes where children are assembled. The new High School is at the present time equipped with such a box. The committee has conferred with the school authorities and they agree that the Town should take immediate steps to install fire alarm boxes at other school houses. By the employment of the proper type of box, it may readily be connected to serve both the purpose of a schoolhouse box and a street box.

4. *Hospital and other Boxes*

A fire alarm box should also be placed the coming year at the Hospital as it is a semi-public institution and the committee feels that the Town should provide this very much needed improvement in order that assistance may be quickly summoned should need arise.

Other semi-public places where large gatherings of people assemble should be provided with boxes.

5. *Fire Box Posts*

The committee recommends the immediate placing of two of these posts, for the installation of present boxes; one at the corner of Highland avenue and West Street; the other at the corner of Great Plain Avenue and Pickering Street. Both of these locations are important ones in high value districts. These posts would be similar to the one at the corner of Great Plain Avenue and Chestnut Street.

6. *Red Lights on Fire Alarm Boxes*

Eventually it is expected that all fire alarm boxes will be designated by a red light. It is of much importance that a designating light be placed to indicate where an alarm box is located, and all night electric light service makes this practicable in Needham. Until this is done, the superintendent will locate boxes near an electric light so that the boxes may be as readily seen as possible under present conditions.

7. *Mutual Aid, etc.*

Plans should be made for the extension of the Mutual Aid System alarm, which already connects Needham and Wellesley. Should the Committee be continued, a study of this and other needs of the fire alarm system will be made the coming year, so that a definite yearly schedule, in keeping with the growth of the Town, may be recommended.

To summarize, the committee recommends that the following improvements be made the coming year:

Renumbering of present boxes to establish fixed zones.

Replacement of three old style by modern type boxes.

Installation of six school house boxes, one hospital box, and street boxes as recommended by the Superintendent of Fire Alarm.

Installation of two fire alarm box posts.

The committee believes that the fire alarm system of the Town, by yearly development, may be satisfactorily brought to a position to meet the demands put upon it by a growing community, and that, by a carefully arranged program this may be done without burdensome expense in any one year.

Respectfully submitted,
T. ROBERT QUINLAN,
GEORGE W. HOLT,
LEONARD DAWSON,
DANA L. SOUTHWORTH,
Committee.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the report of the Highway Department from April 1, 1926, to December 31, 1926.

It was the policy of this department this year to maintain its existing streets in as good condition for travel as possible. I believe that this has been done. At the beginning of the year the streets were in poor condition due to the hard winter and the sewer construction. Extensive patching was necessary on practically every street.

In conjunction with the Sewer Department, who allowed the sum of $1,000 for the same, West Street, Highland Avenue from West Street to Rosemary Street, Mellen Street, Lincoln Street, Kimball Street, and Dedham Avenue were put in good condition.

All materials have been purchased for this Department at the lowest price obtainable consistent with quality, Asphalt purchased from the Standard Oil Company and Tarvia from The Barrett Company. The conditions of the streets speak for the quality of material used.

Crusher

The bins and elevator at the stonecrushing plant were burned down. After it had been decided to put it in working condition, the Finance Committee gave $1,000 of the $1,400 total cost from the reserve fund for rebuilding. The plant was operated to good advantage, cost of stone being about $1.75 per ton delivered on the street. Pinewood Road, Bond's

Corner, Great Plain Avenue at Green's Field and 1,500 yards of Reservoir Street were built with stone from the crusher. About 1,500 tons were delivered to Central Avenue and there is on hand at the present time about 150 tons. Stone dust, of which there was a surplus, was used on sidewalks throughout the Town.

The following streets were built this year:

Bituminous Construction

Mark Lee Road	2,000 yards
Avery Place	600 yards
Bond's Corner	1,800 yards
Great Plain Avenue at Green's Field	490 yards
Great Plain Avenue in front of Needham Theatre	200 yards
South Street	2,500 yards
Reservoir Street	1,500 yards

Tar and Gravel

Forest Street, Wellesley Avenue, Brookside Road, Rosemary Street, from railroad to Hillside Avenue, Broadmeadow Road, South Street near Dedham Avenue, and part of Reservoir Street were almost unfit for travel but were put in good condition with gravel and tar. Their present condition meeting with favorable comment from the travelling public.

Street Surfacing

There was a total of 45,630 gallons of Tarvia A and B used for street surfacing.

Betterment Act

Prince Street	2,888 yards
Pinewood Road	2,511 yards

These streets were built under the Betterment Act to the satisfaction of the abutters.

Central Avenue

A section of this street was built from the end of the 1925 section to Hunnewell Street, the contract distance. The drainage of Hunnewell Street was taken care of in connection with the building of this section, 700 feet of 15-inch pipe, 250 feet of 12-inch and 270 feet of 10-inch with necessary catchbasins being laid, Mr. Bezanson granting the right of way for this purpose. Sub-base was built north of Hunnewell Street to top of hill which was cut back to line. A culvert

was installed at the swamp beyond, 38 feet of 18-inch corrugated pipe was laid and the necessary fill made in the new location when work stopped for the year. This work will materially reduce the cost in this section for the coming year.

Sidewalks, Granolithic

Granolithic sidewalks were built on the following streets: Mayo Avenue west side, Melrose Avenue west side, Dedham Avenue from Lincoln to Warren Street, Gordon Road north side, High Street north side, Mark Lee Road from Highland Avenue to Hunnewell Street, Hunnewell Street from Mark Lee Road to Highland Avenue, Highland Avenue from Mark Lee Road to Avery School three sections, Linden Street east side, Maple Terrace north side, and a section of Linden Street west side.

Sidewalks, Gravel

Great Plain Avenue from Mayo Avenue to Greenwood Avenue, Great Plain Avenue from Newell Avenue to Prospect Street, Webster Street from Brookline Street to Rosemary Street, Bradford Street near Dedham Avenue, Central Avenue from Upper Falls School to Reservoir Street.

Special Appropriations

A gravel sidewalk was constructed on Great Plain Avenue from Prince Street to the Olinsky property near South Street.

Fences

Fences were generally in bad condition throughout the Town. It was necessary this year to build 720 feet on Great Plain Avenue and 760 feet on Kendrick Street. Repairs were made on other bad sections.

$5,000 Drainage Special Appropriation

To relieve the bad conditions which existed at these points, drains were built on the following streets: Manning Street from Otis Street to Brookline Street, 2,000 feet of 12-inch pipe, 9 catchbasins; Pickering Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street 620 feet of 10-inch pipe, 5 catchbasins; Great Plain Avenue from Green's Field to Warren Street 245 feet of 10-inch pipe, 1 catchbasin; Great Plain Avenue from Melrose Avenue to brook 1,200 feet of 12-inch pipe, 8 catchbasins; Warren and Norfolk Streets 900 feet of 12-inch pipe, 4 catchbasins; Central Avenue Upper Falls 150 feet of 12-inch pipe, 1 catchbasin. Total expended on Main drains $5,886.49.

Recommendations

I believe a part of the square should be built as soon as possible, before building, however, a drain should be built which will carry away the surface water during storms. I believe a drain running Highland Avenue, Dedham Avenue and Lincoln Street will relieve the conditions and shall recommend it. A section of the Howland Street brook should be piped.

South Street should be built from Livingston's to Morse's Hill. Webster Street should be widened and I suggest that the first section should be between Kingsbury Street and Rosemary Street. A start should be made on Greendale Avenue and it seems as if a part should be built this year from Railroad Bridge to Broadmeadow Road and from Lyons Bridge to Great Plain Avenue. Fisher Street, Charles River, should be built this year. Rosemary Street at Library from Highland Avenue to railroad should be built this year. Carter Street at the Falls and Cedar Street should have some repairs.

High Rock Street, which has cost the Town a large sum of money has been allowed to go to pieces, nothing being done since it was built, should be put in good condition and travel can be diverted through it.

At this time, I wish to call your attention to the gravel situation. The Town has no bank suitable for street work and I believe one or more of the existing gravel banks should be purchased or seized by right of eminent domain. So long as we build streets we will always want gravel and in most cases the land will be worth as much after the gravel is removed.

I also believe we should have a five-ton truck for use in the department and some start should be made also towards getting a municipal garage.

A detailed financial report of this department will be found in the Auditor's report.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the heads of the other Town Departments for the co-operation and help which they have extended to the Street Department this year, a better spirit of co-operation could not exist, also to the men of the department for the spirit they have shown and the work they have performed.

Also to your Honorable Board for your co-operation, my thanks is due.

JOHN OVERTON,

Superintendent of Streets.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 25, 1927.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Gentlemen: I herewith submit my annual report of the work of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1926.

Two years ago when two additional men were added to the police force, it was specified that this should provide for the covering of the police station during the whole twenty-four hour period.

It was found to be impossible to put this plan into effect. One of these extra men was needed to cover the days off of the Department, the other was used for outside duty to cover the early morning hours. I am recommending this year an addition of two men to the department, but even this increase will not guarantee a twenty-four hour coverage for the office. One of these men will be in the station from 6.00 p.m. to 3.00 a.m., however, leaving only the hours between 3.00 a.m. and 8 a.m. when there will be no one in the police station. During this time an officer may be readily reached by the use of the police signal operated from the Telephone Office.

The number of calls upon the police and the amount of court work to be done has grown to such proportions as to make it necessary to use one man for this purpose.

Many calls have been made upon the Police Department for ambulance service, for the removal of patients from their homes to the hospitals and from the hospitals to their homes. There have been from thirty to forty of these calls as compared to four or five accident calls. I wish to make it clear that the department has been very willing to render this service, but I would like also to call to your attention the unfitness of our present ambulance for that use. The ambulance is a Dodge truck, fitted with side seats for use as a patrol wagon; it is so short that one end of a stretcher protrudes; it is not properly equipped for transporting very sick patients. There is no criticism of it for the purpose for which it was purchased, namely, a patrol wagon and an ambulance for accident cases. It is, therefore, recommended that the use of the police ambulance be limited to accidents and emergency cases.

The number of arrests this year is less than that of some of the previous years. There have been, however, a great many cases settled out of court, especially juvenile cases. Many parents have made restitution for damage caused by their children with air rifles. I wish again this year to call

attention to General Laws Chapter 140, Section 130, which provides as follows:

"Whoever sells or furnishes to a minor under the age of fifteen any firearm, air gun or other dangerous weapon or ammunition therefor shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars, but instructors and teachers may furnish military weapons to pupils for instruction and drill."

Following is the record of the court cases handled during the year:

Number of cases	190
Number of males	182
Number of females	8
Number of residents	87
Number of non-residents	103
Number of juveniles	2
Number of adults	188

Causes of Arrest

Assault	6
Attempt larceny	2
Abduction of minor child	1
Attempt bribery	1
Adultery	1
Breaking and entering	4
Bastardy	1
Being present at game cock fighting	2
Being a delinquent child	1
Cruelty to animals	2
Default warrant	1
Disturbing the peace	2
Drunk	50
Promoting game cock fight	1
Having fighting birds in possession	2
Illegal sale of liquor	3
Keeping and exposing intoxicating liquor	8
Larceny	3
Non support of wife and child	2
Railer and brawler	1
Turned over to other cities and towns	2
Track walking	2
Violation of automobile laws	89
Violation of Town By-laws	2
Violation of Sunday laws	1
Total	190

Disposition of Cases

Fined	115
Released by Probation Officer	15
Placed on probation	8
Placed on file	12
Discharged	18
Turned over to Boston police and other towns	4
Sent to State Farm	5
Sent to House of Correction	5
Suspended sentence House of Correction	7
Sent to Waverley	1
Held for Grand Jury	1
Defaulted	1
Search warrants	8
Accidents where reports were made	57
Doors and windows found open and made secure	110
Amount of fines imposed	$2,810 50
Amount of fines received by the Town	1,130 50
Amount of automobile fines	1,680 00

I wish to extend to the Honorable Board and to the officers my appreciation of their support and co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully yours,

NORMAN MacKENZIE,
Chief of Police.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AGENT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Needham Board of Health,
Needham, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen: Below is the report of the Agent of the Board during the year just ended:

Foreword

As is usual the Board of Health report consists in the main of figures which indicate the occurrence of the various diseases in the community. These figures are the only means by which a sanitarian can indicate the health conditions of a locality. At the best they are negative in their expression. They convey to the reader no idea of the epidemics averted or the general health and vigor of the individual who is blessed with the enjoyment of life in its full sense. These are

the true measures of a healthy community and unfortunately no means exist by which they may be expressed.

Diseases Dangerous to Public Health

With the exception of the influenza year, 1918, the year just ended marks a peak year in the cases of communicable diseases reported. A total of 570 reports was received by the Board. Table No. 1 gives the monthly incidence of the cases. Table No. II is a ten-year record.

Diphtheria

For the first time in the writer's connection with the Board of Health, a year has passed without a single case of diphtheria being reported in the Town. The absence of this infection is perhaps due to two things; First, the active work done by adjoining towns in immunizing against the disease, and, secondly, because of an almost state wide decrease in the occurrence of the illness. The writer feels that sooner or later a decided reaction will occur and this infection will break out in epidemic form.

Scarlet Fever

Beginning with June, scarlet fever manifested itself in each of the remaining months of the year. October brought a decided outbreak with twenty-two cases being quarantined. The outbreak subsided gradually in the remaining months of the year. The disease itself was in a very mild form and this very mildness was undoubtedly the cause of the spread of the infection. The writer feels certain that some cases were unrecognized, not being seen by a physician and negligent parents sent children to school after the acute symptoms of the disease had subsided and at a time when the illness was in its most infective state. Unless sore throats and stomach upsets are treated with suspicion in times when scarlet fever is about, outbreaks such as we had are bound to take place. The agent finds in some instances persons quarantined so lacking in a co-operative spirit to help combat the disease that he has been tempted to remove the case to the hospital where strict quarantine measures can be enforced. Innumerable instances have come to the attention of the Agent of children quarantined at home because of illness in the house where such quarantine has been broken by parents sending the children to stores on errands or permitting them to play with other children on the street. If the parents cannot obey the Agent's instructions it would seem that court action must be taken to show the defaulting ones that health regulations are to be obeyed.

Measles

The first half of the year witnessed an outbreak of measles which did not cease until a total of 322 cases were reported. About every third year Needham can expect an epidemic of this disease.

Tuberculosis

Eight cases of tuberculosis were added to the records. Every effort is made to place most of the cases in sanatoria.

Laboratory

During the year the laboratory made the following examinations for the physicians.

Cultures	29
Widals	6
Sputa	17
Malaria	1
Gonorrhea	14
Total	67

Milk

The laboratory control of the milk supply has been maintained as in the past years and the results of the examinations have been tabulated in the appended tables. See tables III, IV, V.

Complaints

The action taken by the Agent on complaints coming to the Board has been covered in the monthly report to the Board. In two instances it was necessary to take legal action to have nuisances abated.

Public Sewer

The writer suggests that this year a drive be made to compel persons owning property by which a sewer passes, to connect with the sewer. The Board has this authority and if the sewer is to be maintained at the maximum capacity it should be utilized to the greatest extent and it would seem that a compulsory connection order is the only solution of the problem.

Vital Statistics

The usual tables on vital statistics are appended. Complete figures for 1926 are not available at the present writing and therefore have been omitted.

Respectfully,

H. E. BERGER, Jr.,

Agent.

TABLE NO. I
Diseases by Months for the Year, 1926

DISEASES	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals
Chicken-pox	7	...	...	2	3	3	2	...	1	7	18	21	64
German Measles	1	1	1	2	8	14	2	...	1	1	1	1	33
Lobar Pneumonia	...	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Measles	4	33	83	119	66	16	1	...	...	...	1	...	322
Mumps	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	2	9
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	1	...	6	5	2	4	22	11	4	55
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	1	1	3	...	...	8
Whooping Cough	2	7	19	14	16	6	...	...	2	...	1	2	69
Syphilis	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Gonorrhea	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Totals	15	43	107	139	96	48	12	5	9	34	32	30	570

TABLE NO. II
Diseases for Ten-Year Period

DISEASES	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926
Chicken-pox	5	11	21	11	12	8	19	35	96	64
Diphtheria	6	4	6	11	2	11	4	4	4	0
Dog Bite	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....
German Measles	46	6	.....	2	.....	.....	1	1	19	33
Acute Polio.	.....	.....	1	5	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Influenza	.....	701	60	234	1	24	.....	.....	2	.....
Measles	48	71	1	36	8	8	102	9	10	322
Mumps	2	2	4	.....	1	.....	.....	46	122	9
Scarlet Fever	6	11	9	20	11	24	7	.....	45	55
Tuberculosis	13	7	10	7	3	7	4	8	3	8
Typhoid	.....	1	2	3	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....
Whooping Cough	11	1	2	12	43	16	15	.....	25	69
Miscellaneous	6	19	7	24	8	33	45	4	.....	2
Totals	143	834	123	365	89	132	200	134	331	570

TABLE NO. III

Milk Analyses for 1926

Median Count and Average Chemical Results

DEALER	*Median Count	Average % Fats	Average % Solids
Andrews Milk Co.	26,000	3.67	12.61
Bond, Richard & Son	16,500	3.80	13.07
Bean, A. E.	23,500	3.65	12.65
Bacon Farm	14,500	3.90	12.92
Chambers, R. H. (special)	18,500	3.80	12.92
Chambers, R. H. (family)	13,000	3.80	12.98
Cyslenski, J.	26,000	4.70	14.24
Ginter Store	15,000	4.00	13.07
Grasso, L.	48,000	4.20	12.80
Kinsman, J. P.(family)	18,000	3.66	12.86
Kinsman, J. P. (baby)	19,000	3.80	12.77
Kennedy	26,000	3.87	13.47
Whiting Milk Co. (family)	22,500	3.70	12.54
Whiting Milk Co. (Grade A)	12,000	4.10	12.77
Walker Gordon	5,500	4.30	13.56
State Law Requires	.....	3.35	12.00

*Median count is the middle figure taken after the counts have been arranged in the order of their ascendancy.

TABLE NO. IV

Sediment Tests

Percentage of Sediments Coming Within Certain Limits

DEALER	*VS	S	U	VU
Andrews Milk Co.	58.3	33.3	8.3	....
Bond, R.	25.	75.	....	....
Bean, A. E.	100.0	....	....	....
Bacon Farm	75.	25.	....	....
Chambers, R. H., (special)	75.	25.	....	....
Chambers, R. H., (family)	75.	25.	....	....
Cyslenski, J.	....	100.	....	....
Ginter Store	91.6	8.3	....	....
Grasso	25.	75.	....	....
Kinsman, J. P. (family)	75.	25.	....	....
Kinsman, J. P. (baby)	100.	....	....	....
Kennedy	50.	50.	....	....
Whiting Milk Co. (family)	16.6	75.	8.3	....
Whiting Milk Co. (Grade A)	50.	50.	....	....
Walker Gordon	100.0	....	....	....

*VS: very satisfactory, very clean.
S: satisfactory, clean.
U: unsatisfactory, visible dirt.
VU: much visible dirt, very unsatisfactory.

TABLE NO. V
Vital Statistics
Corrected Death Rate and Population

YEAR	*Population	Total Deaths	Non-Resident Deaths	†Corrected Death Rate
1921	7,570	84	2	10.7
1922	7,942	88	6	10.3
1923	8,314	96	2	11.5
1924	8,686	115	4	12.8
1925	9,063	83	2	10.9
1926	9,440	...	..	....

*Population estimated as of July 1st of each year. Estimate based on Federal and State census of 1925.

†Corrected death rate obtained by subtracting non-resident deaths and adding deaths of residents in other places.

TABLE NO VI
Corrected Birth and Infant Mortality Rates

YEAR	Population	Births	Non-Resident Births	*Corrected Birth Rate	Deaths Under 1 Year	*Corrected Infant Mortality Rate
1921	7,570	194	3	26.2	9	47.2
1922	7,942	160	7	19.3	10	65.2
1923	8,314	178	9	20.2	11	65.5
1924	8,636	195	7	21.8	14	74.4
1925	9,063	183	8	19.3	5	28.6
1926	9,440	...	..	....	..	....

*Corrected rates obtained by subtracting non-resident births and deaths under one year of age.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM

Needham, Mass., December 31, 1926.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen: I respectfully submit my annual report as Superintendent of Fire Alarm of the Town of Needham.

During the past year three new fire alarm boxes have been added to the system at the following locations: Box No. 217, Pinewood Road; No. 218, Prince Street; No. 211 at Great Plain Avenue, near Needham Theatre.

The circuits are now in very good condition, as old wire has been replaced with new at several weak places during the year. There are a few places which will need some attention the coming year, and besides this work will be the changing over of lines to provide proper clearance from telephone and electric light wires. The usual yearly trimming of trees has been taken care of by the Department, so that at the present time the circuits are free from "tree grounds."

On November 1 the department lost the service of Captain Wade Hampton by his removal to Texas, his native state. Mr. Hampton had served as Assistant Superintendent of Fire Alarm since 1924. He was a faithful and efficient member of the department, and gave his best in keeping up this important branch of the work of protecting lives and property.

He was succeeded by a permanent member of the fire department, Robert E. Thompson of Combination 1, who has had previous electrical experience, besides having assisted Captain Hampton in fire alarm work. Mr. Thompson is deeply interested in the fire alarm signal system, and is a worthy successor to this position.

All the fire alarm boxes and other apparatus in the system have been inspected and cleaned semi-monthly to insure good working condition.

I recommend for the ensuing year that fire alarm boxes be installed at the following locations.

Corner of Henderson Street and Walnut Street.
Corner of Marked Tree Road and Alfreton Road.
Corner of Mills Street and Sachem Road.
Corner of Nehoiden Street and Washburn Avenue.
Corner of Webster Street and Hillside Avenue.

I endorse fully the report of the special committee on the Fire Alarm Signal System and urge the adoption of the recommendations. If favorable action is taken by the Town this department will make provision for the installation of the boxes. This can be done without an extra appropriation, as

nearly all the boxes recommended are located adjacent to fire alarm signal lines.

Several boxes now in service will be relocated so as to bring them into better view at street corners; and all boxes will be placed as much as possible near electric lights so that they may be more quickly seen at night. Eventually the location of all fire alarm boxes should be indicated by red lights.

The combination fire alarm box post, with lights for fire box location and police call, at the corner of Great Plain Avenue and Chestnut Street has proved itself very valuable and I trust that a plan will soon be arranged so that other important locations will be similarly marked. These posts, with box and light are easily maintained.

Two of the combination pedestals should be installed as soon as possible: one at the corner of Highland Avenue and West Street; and the other at Great Plain Avenue and Pickering Street. The report of the special committee gives other locations where posts can be placed as underground service is installed, and steps should be taken at once to carry this construction into effect.

Respectfully submitted,

T. ROBERT QUINLAN,
Superintendent of Fire Alarm.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Needham, Mass., December 31, 1926.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Gentlemen:—The Board of Engineers respectfully present the report of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1926, the 41st of the department.

The Manual Force

The manual force of the Fire Department consists of 39 men as follows: The permanent force, Chief of Department, one Lieutenant and five men; the call force, twenty-six (26) men as follows: two (2) Assistant chiefs, four (4) Captains, one (1) Lieutenant, and nineteen (19) men. Exclusive of this organization are six substitutes.

During the year one permanent man resigned from the department, Capt. Wade Hampton of Combination 1. Lieutenant John F. Gaughan of the same company was advanced to the rank of captain; and Walter W. Mullen was

appointed to fill the vacancy in the permanent force. One permanent man was advanced to the rank of lieutenant, Daniel J. Sullivan, Jr., of Ladder 1.

Apparatus

The apparatus of the department, all in good mechanical condition, consists of four pieces of motor and one horse drawn as follows: one (1) White combination hose and chemical and one (1) American-LaFrance Ladder truck at Station 1; one White combination pump, hose and chemical car at Station 2; while the horse-drawn combination hose and chemical wagon is stationed at Charles River; and one (1) chief's car. Of the above apparatus Engine 1 is in need of repainting.

Hose

There is at present 5,000 feet of serviceable $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch hose in the department; also 750 feet of chemical hose. An additional 500 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch hose should be purchased the coming year.

Fire Stations

The two wooden fire stations, built years ago, are in as good condition as can be expected with the exception of strengthening of floors, painting, and minor repairs, to be done the coming year.

During the past year the interior of Station 1 has been repainted, a concrete floor and drain has been put in the cellar, concrete entrance steps constructed and suitable piping installed to take to the outer air the poisonous exhaust gases caused by the necessary daily testing of the motors. This work has been done by the permanent men of the department.

Fire Prevention

Consistent attention has been given to the prevention of fires, one of the most important features of modern fire department work. Since May 1, 286 building inspections have been made and recorded under the direction of Chief Quinlan. In addition to this number of complete inspections, interior and building surroundings, bi-weekly inspections have been made of premises in the mercantile district.

During fire prevention week test drills were witnessed at all the schools and test runs to schoolhouses were made by the apparatus.

Drills

Bi-monthly drills with the apparatus were held in May, June, July, August, and September. Permanent men and officers were given instruction, by the regular drivers, in the operation of the several pieces of motor apparatus and several of the call force are qualified to serve as drivers should the need arise.

During the year the entire personnel took advantage of the opportunity to hear Deputy Chief Caulfield of Boston, a recognized authority on "Ventilation," speak on that important phase of fire fighting.

Fire Loss

The total fire loss of the year is exceptionally high owing to the disastrous fire at the Purdy residence, Charles River, where the estimated loss was placed at $127,000, April 20. At this fire the local force was given valuable assistance by the Fire Departments of Wellesley and Natick.

Mutual Aid

Wellesley, connected by an alarm system with Needham, has cordially co-operated in mutual aid. The Dedham Fire Department made quick response to telephone calls for assistance on a number of occasions and Newton and Dover stand ready to respond.

No change has been made in mutual aid arrangement. The coming year a careful study will be made to determine the system best adapted to local fire fighting facilities.

Hydrants

During the past year the Water Department has begun the practice, helpful to the Fire Department, of installing hydrants equipped with pump connections.

Care has been taken by Chief Quinlan, to keep snow cleared from hydrants. The work involved, the Board believes, is fully justified by its importance.

Recommendations

The Board recommends that, with the beginning of vacation period May 1, another man be added to the permanent force. The work of the department, which includes the labor on the fire alarm system, is constantly increasing with the growth of the town. This is noticeable not only in the actual fire duty required, but in fire prevention inspections, and routine work.

The Board recommends that the fire alarm system be zoned, and present boxes renumbered in accordance with such districting. Box numbers as at present placed fail to most efficiently discharge the function of a fire alarm system—the sounding of any number on which should quickly convey a clear understanding of the location of a fire. The Board also recommends the installation of fire alarm boxes at schoolhouses and hospital; the gradual elimination of old style interfering boxes, and the installation of new boxes at the several locations recommended by the Superintendent of Fire Alarm.

Summary for the Year

The total of alarms for the year was 236 of which 201 were bell and 35 were still. There were 14 out of town calls, as follows: 10 to Wellesley, 2 to Dedham, 1 to Dover, and 1 to Westwood. Eleven of the bell alarms were second alarms, 9 were false, 6 were no-school signals, and there were 6 needless alarms.

Two emergency calls were made upon the department; one for a man caught in a coal chute and the other for a man pinned beneath an overturned tractor. In both instances the department was able to render timely assistance.

The amount of hose used during the year was 20,200 feet, the number of gallons of chemical used was 1,661; and there were 1,441 feet of ladders raised in the extinguishment of fires.

There were a total of 194 fires during the year, and these exclusive of 27 chimney fires are classified as follows:

Frame Buildings	32
Woods, Brush, and Grass	104
Automobiles	6
Miscellaneous, incl. dumps, etc.	25

Probable causes of fires are as follows:

Ashes in Cellar	1
Back Fire (Auto)	4
Burning Rubbish	27
Burning Grass and Brush	4
Burning Caterpillar Nests	1
Careless Smoking	20
Children	13
Chimneys	27
Defective Fireplace	3
Defective Stove-pipe	1
Defective Wiring	4
Fireworks	1
Incendiary	32
Lantern used near gasoline	1
Lightning	1
Oil Stove	4
Overheated Stove	8
Overheated Tar Kettle	1
Rekindle	1
Sparks from chimney	3
Sparks from locomotive	18
Sparks from Steam Roller	1
Sparks from Steam Shovel	1
Spontaneous Ignition	1

From a study of the causes it is apparent that a large percentage of the fires were preventable. The Board believes that a realization of this by the householders of Needham, will result in the prevention of many fires that place lives and property in danger.

The amount of value, insurance, and loss by fire is as follows:

Value of Buildings at risk	$434,680 00
Value of Contents at risk	112,150 00
Total	$546,830 00
Insurance on Buildings	$137,359 00
Insurance on Contents	76,250 00
Total	$213,609 00
Loss on Buildings	$108,998 00
Loss on Contents	30,161 37
Total	$139,159 37
Insurance paid on Buildings	$35,744 84
Insurance paid on Contents	28,236 04
Total	$63,980 88

The Board desires to express its appreciation of the manner in which the men of the department have discharged their duties. Robert E. Thompson, a permanent man was appointed by Chief Quinlan as his assistant superintendent in fire alarm work, and other permanent men are called upon to assist in this work as occasion requires.

The Engineers, who assumed their duties May 1, have had the active co-operation of the Board of Selectmen and thank them for their valued support.

Respectfully submitted,

T. ROBERT QUINLAN, *Chief (Chairman)*,
GEORGE W. HOLT, *Assistant Chief*,
DANA L. SOUTHWORTH, *Assistant Chief (Clerk)*,
Board of Engineers, Needham Fire Department.

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN

Needham, Mass., December 31, 1926.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my 18th annual report as Forest Warden.

In accordance with statutes the necessary notices relative

to the necessity of securing a written permit from the Forest Warden before building a fire in the open were published in the *Needham Chronicle* in the month of February.

During the year 1391 written permits for burning rubbish, grass, and brush were issued from this office.

In some cases parties burning without the necessary permit were called upon to reimburse the Town for the expense of calling out the Fire Department. Residents desiring to burn rubbish in the open are required by law to first obtain a written permit from the Forest Warden. On the back of these permits are printed instructions which should be carefully read and followed.

The following are extracts from The Massachusetts Forest Fire Laws:

Setting of Fires in the Open Air

No person shall set, maintain or increase a fire in the open air between March first and December first except by written permission of the state fire marshal, within the metropolitan fire prevention district as defined in section twenty-eight of chapter one hundred and forty-eight, or, outside thereof, of the forest warden or chief of the Fire Department in cities and towns, or, in cities having such an official, the fire commissioner; provided, that debris from fields, gardens, and orchards, and leaves and rubbish from yards may be burned on ploughed fields by the owners thereof, their agents or lessees, if such fire is at least two hundred feet distant from any sprout or forest land and at least fifty feet distant from any building and is properly attended until extinguished; and provided, further, that persons above the age of eighteen may set or maintain a fire for a reasonable purpose upon sandy land or upon salt marshes or sandy or rocky beaches bordering on tide water, if the fire is enclosed within rocks, metal or other non-inflammable material. The forest wardens in towns and officials performing the duties of forest wardens in cities shall cause public notice to be given of the provisions of this section, and shall enforce the same. Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one month, or both. G. L. Chap. 48, Sect. 13.

Arrest Without Warrant

The Forest Warden or any of his deputies may arrest any persons setting or maintaining a fire in violation of the provisions of this Act. G. L. Chap. 48, Sect. 15.

Respectfully submitted,

H. HOWARD UPHAM,

Forest Warden.

REPORT OF TOWN NURSERY COMMITTEE

In accordance with the policy formulated by the previous committee on Town Forest, this committee has proceeded with the establishment of a Town Nursery. The purpose of this nursery is the propagation of shade and ornamental trees for street and park planting in the Town of Needham.

By permission of the Water Commissioners about one-third of an acre of land was broken and prepared for planting on the water works reservation near South Street. About 6,500 seedlings and transplants were purchased and set last spring. In preparation for a supply to be continuous over a considerable period of years, the sizes were well graduated from seedlings to sturdy transplants 6 feet to 8 feet in height.

After considering the items of form, hardiness, rapidity of growth, immunity from disease and freedom from insect pests the following varieties were chosen, namely; American Elm, Red and Sugar Maple, Tulip Poplar, Chestnut Oak and Catalpa.

Under the careful personal supervision of the Tree Warden the stock has received constant care which has included thorough and repeated cultivation both by team and hand labor as well as watering at several critical periods. The results of this expert care have been highly gratifying. All stock has shown remarkable growth. The Elm seedlings have grown two feet or more while the Catalpa has put out at least three feet on the average with some individuals showing an increase of four feet or more. The loss has been certainly less than ten per cent which is considered very remarkable by nurserymen.

Some transplanting of the stock will be necessary in the spring. In anticipation of this there has been broken additional land to the extent of about one-fourth of an acre.

In order to increase the number of trees available for early street planting the committee hopes to be able to purchase a few hundred of the larger sizes this spring. It is also hoped that it will be possible to increase the varieties by the addition of American beech and American linden.

I. H. COWDREY, *Chairman*,
GEORGE TWIGG,
A. D. McINTOSH.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH DEPARTMENT

January 1, 1927.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the annual report of the Moth Department for the year ending December 31, 1926.

The gypsy moth shows an increase this year over 1925 in various parts of the Town not enough to cause any stripping of foliage, but plentiful enough to show that they are still a menace, and only by continued effort can they be kept under control. The fact that the imported parasites, enemies of the gypsy moth, have practically disappeared, coincident with the decreasing numbers of this pest, makes it an absolute certainty that a reinfestation of this insect will occur. The Government Bureau of Etomology at Melrose Highlands is breeding gypsy moth parasites in large numbers, but it will be two or three years before they can be released in sufficient numbers to be of much assistance.

At the Annual Convention of Foresters and Moth Superintendents at Horticultural Hall, Boston, on January 18, representatives from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, towns of western Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, and New Jersey reported that a very alarming increase of gypsy moths has taken place in all of these states. The state of New Jersey in particular has found it necessary to increase their appropriation from an insignificant amount in the past to an appropriation of $125,000 for the suppression of this pest this year.

The satin moth on private estates did considerable stripping of foliage on poplar trees. Owners of this variety of tree should watch them very closely and have them sprayed with arsenate of lead. This pest breeds twice a year, but a good spray applied the last of May or the first of June will eliminate the danger from the second hatching.

The brown-tail moth and oak leaf roller caused no damage this year. The elm leaf beetle appeared in a few places in the Town, but were effectively controlled with the arsenate spray. The tent caterpillar has been steadily increasing in numbers these last three years. They are now a decided menace and danger to all fruit tree owners. There was hardly a fair-sized apple tree in Town that was not attacked by this insect. In some cases the trees were completely defoliated. Tree owners should destroy these nests while they are still very small. It is impossible to destroy the webs after they have become large, without burning them, which never should be attempted because of the damage to the trees. A spraying of arsenate of lead in early June is the

best method of destroying them. The indications are that there will be a heavy infestation of this pest again this year.

The aim of this Department is not only to take care of the Town trees, but also, on request, to extend this protection to private owners of fruit and shade trees. This private work is increasing greatly every year, and the appreciation shown by private owners for the improved quality of their fruit and the condition of their trees is very gratifying.

The Department is well equipped to do this work in a thorough and efficient manner. Approximately $1,450 worth of this private work was done this year. Watchful prevention is better and far more economical than cure.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE TWIGG,

Local Moth Superintendent.

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

Needham Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen: The report of the Dog Officer for the year ending December 31, 1926, is submitted.

Number of dogs licensed, five hundred and thirty-nine, an increase of seventy-three over 1925. One breeders' license was issued.

WILLIAM H. STANTON,

Dog Officer.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

I submit the annual report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures.

One hundred and fourteen annual inspections were made. No complaints or irregularities noted during the year.

Fees collected	$86 25
Turned over to Treasurer	84 01
Unpaid fees	2 24

WILLIAM H. STANTON,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

December 31, 1926.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my tenth annual report as Building Inspector and the fourteenth of this department.

The estimated cost of construction, a total for the year of $980,965 is shown by the monthly issue of permits as follows:

	No. of Permits	Estimated Value
January	10	$91,750 00
February	4	15,150 00
March	20	93,605 00
April	32	183,825 00
May	20	69,375 00
June	32	129,650 00
July	16	45,875 00
August	24	80,050 00
September	22	74,150 00
October	21	67,025 00
November	24	82,650 00
December	13	47,760 00
	238	$980,865 00

This is a decrease in the value of construction from 1925 of $242,855, and a decrease in the number of permits issued of 64.

The number of building permits issued from this office during the past year is 238, classified as follows:

	No. of Permits	Estimated Value
Dwellings	91	$675,550 00
Garages	84	51,740 00
Additions and Alterations	41	91,975 00
Stores (3 blks. and 2 single)	5	127,000 00
Poultry houses	9	1,500 00
Sheds	4	2,150 00
Greenhouse	1	16,000 00
Clubhouse	1	12,000 00
Boiler house	1	1,750 00
Cement Coal Storage	1	1,200 00
	238	$980,865 00

Three of the garage permits were authorized by the Board of Selectmen. Two of the dwelling permits were for two-family houses, and four for remodeling to two-family, making

a total of six two-family houses in the district zoned for that purpose.

All of this construction has been carefully inspected and made to comply with the building laws.

The comparison for the past ten years is shown by the following table of the estimated value of permits issued.

In 1917, Value	$221,120 00
In 1918, Value	102,485 00
In 1919, Value	384,876 00
In 1920, Value	332,825 00
In 1921, Value	655,090 00
In 1922, Value	716,620 00
In 1923, Value	1,166,950 00
In 1924, Value	1,376,100 00
In 1925, Value	1,223,720 00
In 1926, Value	980,865 00
Total for ten years	$7,160,651 00

The wiring permits are taken care of by Joseph Alexander, Inspector of Wires.

The number of plumbing permits issued for the year of 1926 is 157. These permits are issued by the plumbing inspectors as are also the permits for cesspools. The requirement of a permit for the building of a cesspool is in accordance with a new ordinance made by the Board of Health. It is made compulsory to obtain a permit before building a cesspool of any description; and it must be inspected by the plumbing inspector. The fee for such inspection is two dollars.

The plumbing inspectors are J. F. Buckley, 109 Dedham avenue, Needham, and Henry Thomas, West St., Needham Heights.

The amount collected, from permits issued, for the use of the Town and paid to the Town Treasurer, is $1,267 (does not include wiring permits) divided as follows:

Building Permits	$626 50
Plumbing	432 50
Cesspools	208 00
Total	$1,267 00

While builders for the greater part show a gratifying desire to comply with the building laws, it will be mutually

helpful if owners, architects, engineers, contractors, and builders will carefully

Remember

Our Town has a Building Ordinance, and

Permits are required before starting any building operation.

All building operations, including alterations and additions must comply with town ordinances.

Before lathing and plastering a building an inspection and approval by the building department is required.

A building may not be altered without a permit and then it must conform to the regulations.

The public must be safeguarded during building operations.

These ordinances were adopted and are enforced for your benefit and protection.

Accidents are avoided by guarding materials stored in streets and alleys with barricades and danger lights.

You save time and trouble by procuring a building permit before starting work.

Make sure your building is properly located and on the right lot.

It is not the business of the Department to superintend the construction of a building.

The Department should be consulted if there is any doubt about what the law requires when plans are being prepared.

Respectfully submitted,

H. HOWARD UPHAM,

Building Inspector.

LIST OF JURORS

Frank B. Arnold	Bookkeeper	50 Mark Lee Road
Alfred T. Baker	Retired	868 Great Plain Avenue
Edward C. Blackmer	Salesman	40 May Street
John G. Bliss	Artist	44 Stevens Road
George E. Bois	Bookkeeper	65 Parkinson Street
Jerry Bond	Farmer	Great Plain Avenue
Augustus Brown	Farmer	Great Plain Avenue
Arthur N. Bruerton	Insurance	96 Bradford Street
William H. Capron	Musician	17 Parkinson Street
Harold B. Church	Trucking	234 Harris Avenue
Walter Coult	Knitter	28 West Street
Joseph Coburn	Chauffeur	50 High Street
Elmer H. Cook	Clerk	33 Dedham Avenue
William G. Courtnay	Buyer	697 Webster Street
Nathan T. Crowell	Painter	10 Cedar Place

Edward E. Dailey	Boxmaker	349 Webster Street
James Dallachie, Jr.	Carpenter	10 Webster Street
James H. Darrah	Insurance	837 Great Plain Avenue
Stephen Davison	Wood carver	14 Bradford Street
Irving Dawson	Clerk	314 Webster Street
Willard Dik	Bookkeeper	19 May Street
Willard E. Doane	Carpenter	Hillcrest Road
Charles M. Donahue	Clerk	3 Marshall Street
George A. Downes	Machinist	75 Pickering Street
Garnet W. Earle	Meat cutter	Marked Tree Road
H. Harris Eaton	Retired	Great Plain Avenue
John T. Edwards	Carpenter	29 High Street
William C. Ellis	Real estate	57 Chestnut Street
Fred S. Fisher	Clerk	680 Webster Street
James A. Fitzgerald	Chauffeur	140 Nehoiden Street
Patrick J. Glancy	Farmer	Great Plain Avenue
Clifton G. Gilpatrick	Draughtsman	134 Manning Street
Frank E. Godfrey	Messenger	499 Highland Avenue
Theodore G. Graham	Clerk	59 Lincoln Street
David S. Hamilton	Printer	Washburn Avenue
Arthur S. Hamilton	Manufacturer	42 Maple Street
Frank I. Hammett	Real estate	Hillcrest Road
Louis Hasenfus	Farmer	Broad Meadow Road
William W. Hewett	Cutter	70 Greenwood Avenue
Patrick Hughes	Gardener	Cross Street
Edgar A. Horr	Agent	752 Webster Street
Fred H. Horrocks	Salesman	86 Hillside Avenue
Samuel W. Humphrey	Dealer	17 High Street
Frank E. Jones	Carpenter	52 Hillside Avenue
Charles S. Johnson	Manager	Broad Meadow Road
Isaac C. Judkins	Salesman	Otis Street
Joseph E. Kelley	Bookkeeper	Harris Avenue
William Kennedy	Machinist	18 Alfreton Road
Frank R. Kittredge	Clerk	128 Manning Street
Samuel A. Ladd	Merchant	164 Manning Street
Frederick Latham	Machinist	164 Hillside Avenue
William F. Leach	Manager	791 Webster Street
Robert A. Lewis, Jr.	Tester	21 Cleveland Road
Ernest Lising	Gardener	Charles River Street
Lemont D. Litchfield	Architect	35 Dedham Avenue
Clifford M. Locke	Lumber dealer	Great Plain Avenue
Warren W. Loomis	Purchasing Agent	815 Webster Street
Walter E. Lovering	Draughtsman	8 Marked Tree Road
Frank A. Maloney	Druggist	54 Lincoln Street
Eric W. Malmstrom	Real estate	140 Manning Street
Ralph G. Martin	Machinist	50 Walnut Street
James M. McCracken	Merchant	206 Nehoiden Street
Theodore McIntosh	Farmer	Great Plain Avenue
Stewart N. Miller	Estimator	Melrose Avenue
Ozias H. McMurdie	Salesman	133 Manning Street
William R. Moeller	Clerk	22 Pickering Street
Edward L. Morss	Editor	21 Bradford Street
Charles H. Morss	Retired	64 Bradford Street
Frederick L. Morton	Bookkeeper	31 Avery Street
Arthur H. Moore	Inspector	32 Manning Street
Herbert L. Moore	Salesman	730 Webster Street
Charles B. Moseley	Manufacturer	Oakland Avenue
Edward W. Nason	Mail Clerk	Otis Street
George W. Neale	Janitor	52 Maple Street
John R. Nichols	Superintendent	Fisher Street
Paul U. Nickerson	Civil Engineer	49 Warren Street

Arthur L. Oakman	Retired	129 Warren Street
Joseph E. Patterson	Salesman	55 Warren Street
Walter M. Perry	Stenographer	60 Lincoln Street
Robert A. Pidgeon	Knitter	3 Cottage Avenue
Samuel A. Pinkham	Carpenter	29 Linden Street
Ralph P. Preble	Bond salesman	246 Harris Avenue
Nicholas I. Quint	Electrician	Central Street
Harold Redonnet	Farmer	52 Greenwood Avenue
Charles F. Roberts	Solicitor	64 Lincoln Street
Bruce Rosencranz	Sales manager	High Rock Street
Harry B. Russell	Architect	Grove Street
James F. Ryan	Carpenter	405 Highland Avenue
Carl G. Selig	Instrument mak.	675 Webster Street
Frank M. Slack	Clerk	15 Cleveland road
Albert G. Slaney	Draughtsman	18 Union Street
Samuel Smith	Knitter	West Street
Llewellyn Stevens	Plumber	796 Webster Street
Stanley B. Swaim	Insurance	Great Plain Avenue
John A. Tilton	Farmer	18 High Rock Street
G. William Tisdale	Clerk	59 Lincoln Street
Leonard Vara	Carpenter	14 Carter Street
Albert E. Wragg	Clerk	49 Chestnut Street
Percy E. Wye	Real estate	118 Warren Street

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Park Commissioners respectfully submit their annual report:

During 1926 Thorpe Memorial, Vesta and Noyes Parks, Needham Heights Common, Needham Station plot; the Bathing Reservation and minor plots located near the Public Library, at Hurd's Corner, and at the junction of Webster street and Greendale avenue have come under our jurisdiction.

For the maintenance and improvement of these public properties we have expended the sum of $2,175.19 as follows:

Needham Heights Common—special work	$1,530 96
General upkeep of Thorpe Memorial, Vesta and Noyes Parks and minor plots.....	534 23
Life guard's salary at bathing reservation.....	110 00
Total	$2,175 19

The Town appropriated in 1926 the sum of $2,100, indicating by vote that $950 was to be devoted to special improvements upon Needham Heights Common. This special work consisted of the construction of granolithic diagonal cross walks, regrading and seeding, and is an improvement of permanent character in keeping with that done the previous year by the Highway Department. All sidewalks and park walks are now granolithic, the lawns are of even and proper slope, and the annual cost of upkeep will be reduced.

In order to properly complete the Needham Heights Common work it was necessary to draw heavily upon the general improvement and upkeep appropriation with the result that it was impossible to carry out any but routine matters at other parks. The Commissioners feel that the results at Needham Heights Common justify the temporary curtailment elsewhere.

The usual use of the Bathing Reservation occurred as in former years, the average daily attendance of girls being 70 and of boys 65.

Recommendations for 1927: Owing to lack of the necessary funds and also to the proposed widening of Central Avenue, by the State Highway Department, the improvements at Noyes Park suggested in the Park report of 1926 were deferred. Whether the State will proceed this year is a question. Until the State work is completed this commission desires to hold these improvements in abeyance.

Consequently, the Commissioners, having in mind merely

the routine upkeep and improvements, now ask that the Town maintain without increase the amount appropriated for this purpose in 1924, 1925, and 1926, and set aside for the use of this Commission the sum of $1,150.

Respectfully submitted,

PRESTON MITCHELL, *Chairman*,
I. TUCKER BURR, JR., *Secretary*,
FREDERICK S. KINGSBURY.

REPORT OF MEMORIAL PARK TRUSTEES

The Trustees had planned this year to complete the building of the baseball field. This would have consisted of constructing a carefully graded diamond and the building out of the right field to the required regulation width. However, at the urgent request of the High School authorities we dropped our plans and made a temporary diamond and constructed the regulation quarter mile cinder track.

The baseball field, with but little additional work, can be made an ideal field with a diamond entirely outside the limits of the football playing area and the outfield at regulation width. The quarter mile track was built with the best grade cinders. This is twelve inches in depth; the subgrade is so graded that the track is very quick drying. This new feature is a great addition to the athletic equipment of the Town.

The Trustees have made the following regulations concerning priority use of the athletic field:

1st. School Teams: High School baseball, track, and football; Girls' field hockey teams, Grammar school teams. 2nd. Patriotic organizations: American Legion, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts. 3rd. Town Teams: Baseball and Soccer Clubs, etc.

The baseball field was used for all the High School games in the spring and the Town Team played thirty games during the summer. The Boy and Girl Scout organizations used it regularly. The High School girls' hockey team and the Soccer Club practised and played their games on the football field. The American Legion held weekly band concerts during the summer and staged their annual field day in the fall.

T. J. CROSSMAN, Jr.,
Chairman.

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board herewith submits its report for the year.

Town Map: The Town Map, compiled by the Planning Board in 1925, has been revised to 1927, a plate made, and copies are available for distribution. They may be had from the Town Clerk.

Thoroughfares: The question of locating and developing additional thoroughfares through the town so as to lessen congestion at Needham Square, by carrying through-traffic around the center has been studied and forms the larger part of this report.

In Needham, as in other metropolitan towns, the automobile has searched out all the highways, and has clearly shown that the street system which was satisfactory for the days of horse-drawn vehicles, must be revised to meet the demands of a new era in transportation. Streets must be widened, straightened, connected, and extended to make cross-town routes. In no other way can the motor vehicles of the townspeople be accommodated in making trips about town, into neighboring towns, and at the same time share the highways with visiting motors.

Where one main highway artery each way through the Town was sufficient in earlier days, at least twice as many are needed now to take the increased volume of motors, and to prevent traffic blockades from occurring in the center of the Town. The need today is to distribute motor travel over as many thoroughfares as possible, rather than to attempt to accommodate it in one main trunk-line each way through the Town as at present.

With this in mind, the Planning Board recommends the development of additional thoroughfares or by-passes through the Town as shown in red on the accompanying map together with the existing routes.

North and South Thoroughfares: The bulk of the travel north and south through the Town now passes through Chestnut Street, Needham Square, and Highland Avenue. To relieve this route we recommend that a second route be developed using Webster Street, and South Street, as shown on the plan. This would necessitate the widening of Webster Street as decreed by the County Commissioners in 1924, and the elimination of bad corners on South Street.

All northbound traffic from Charles River Village and Dover as well as from Dedham could use this route to

WELLESLEY
NEWTON
DOVER
WESTWOOD
DEDHAM
BOSTON
GREAT PLAIN AVE.
CENTRAL AVE.
HIGH ROCK ST EXTENSION
HIGH ROCK ST.
GREAT PLAIN AVE.
Proposed Extension
of
HIGH ROCK STREET
and
Relocation of
GREAT PLAIN AVENUE
PROPOSED PLAN
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ALTERNATE THROUGH TRAFFIC ROUTES
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advantage. Southbound traffic from the Newtons would likewise avoid the congestion at both Needham Heights and Needham Centre.

The improving of Central Avenue as planned by the Town in conjunction with the County and State, should be completed as soon as possible. This would create an additional thoroughfare through the Town and would eventually carry a large amount of traffic.

East and West Thoroughfares. Practically all the traffic East and West through the Town passes nowt hrough Great Plain Avenue and Dedham Avenue, Needham Square and Great Plain Avenue to Wellesley. To relieve this route, we recommend that a second route be developed, using South Street and High Rock Street, and connecting High Rock Street, through to Great Plain Avenue, as shown on the plan. This would carry westerly traffic from Dedham and the South Shore and in part that from West Roxbury and Spring Street. Easterly traffic from Wellesley and beyond would also be served.

To develop this route, we recommend that bad street intersections and corners be improved, and that High Rock Street be straightened and extended to Great Plain Avenue. We also recommend that Great Plain Avenue be re-located as shown on the plan, thereby eliminating the existing bad curve and forming a better junction with the proposed extension of High Rock Street.

The Board believes that if these two additional routes through the Town were developed, with proper signs and traffic regulations in force, that traffic congestion in Needham Square would be greatly relieved. It would make it possible for through-traffic North and South, or East and West to pass through the Town and to connect from one to the other, and escape Needham Square and the most thickly settled parts of the Town. The Board believes that steps should be taken at once to develop these routes and make them available to take the traffic that is necessary to relieve conditions in the center of the Town.

In studying the most feasible location for the development of these additional north-south and east-west thoroughfares as shown on the plan, attention has been given to the utilization of existing streets and to the contour of the ground. Road junctions have been studied for gradients and for their relations to the grade crossing problems of the Town. Consideration has also been given to adjacent side streets of proposed land subdivisions. Wherever these subdivisions could be accommodated without sacrificing the interests of the Town, the proposed roads have been made to conform.

The Board has been represented at various hearings held by the Board of Selectmen and Board of Survey, and at meetings of the State Federation of Planning Boards.

Signed,

LAURENCE S. CALDWELL, *Chairman*,
GORDON W. HERDMAN, *Secretary*,
HAROLD B. CHURCH,
ARTHUR W. ROHN,
ERNEST B. ALLEN.

REPORT OF SEWER COMMITTEE

December 31, 1926.

To the Citizens of Needham:

We respectfully submit the following third and final annual report of the Sewer Committee.

Continuation of the construction was carried on until final inspection and acceptance on August 31, 1926. The sewers built to date comprise principally the main trunk of the so-called "gravity district" which drains into the Charles River Valley sewer of the South Metropolitan District. This main trunk extends from Webster Street at Needham Heights through Highland Avenue — with detour through the Memorial Park, private land, and Pickering Street — to Great Plain Avenue, thence through Lincoln, Garfield, Warren, Howland, Webster, and several sections of private land, to Dedham Avenue, and thence through this latter avenue to the Metropolitan sewer.

In addition to this main trunk, lateral sewers were built in the streets south of Great Plain Avenue from Warren to Maple Street inclusive, and at the Heights in certain streets east of Highland Avenue from Mellen Street to Hunnewell Street inclusive.

The work, for construction purposes, was divided into two sections — with Great Plain Avenue made the dividing line. Bids were received on April 17, 1925, eight proposals being submitted on Section 1, south of Great Plain Avenue, and eleven proposals on Section 2, north of Great Plain Avenue. Section 1 was awarded to Louis Balboni and Section 2 to the F. H. Street Company. Both contracts required completion of the work November 1, 1925, with a provision for liquidated damages for delay.

Construction started on Section 1 on April 27, 1925, and good progress was made in laying the sewers in the district north of Garfield Street. Likewise the main sewer in Dedham Avenue was constructed without unusual difficulty. When, however, the interceptor running westerly from Dedham Avenue was undertaken, difficulties were encountered from Webster Street to the end of this line at Maple Street. In Garfield Street and Cedar Place the bottom material was in general an extremely difficult fine sand, which, in combination with high ground water level, made it necessary to use three-inch tongued and grooved sheeting and to drive this sheeting from three to six feet below sewer grade. It also became necessary, for safety, to refill excavation below grade with screened gravel, and because of the great pressure developed by the material at the depth of the sewer to place additional reinforcing concrete around the pipe.

Work was started in Garfield Street near Warren Street, about August 15, 1925, and — with the exception of a shut-down during February and March, continued until July 29, 1926, when Maple Street was reached — ten months being required to lay 1730 feet of sewer, or an average of less than six feet per day. The contractor reports a substantial loss, and at the time of completion ran well beyond the stipulated date. The work was skillfully handled and the delayed time of completion is chargeable to the peculiarly difficult conditions encountered, rather than to any fault of the contractor.

A permanent underdrain was laid under the main sewer from a point between Dedham Avenue and Webster Street, where a free outlet was available. This drain should serve a good purpose in lowering the ground water level in the area north of Garfield Street.

The F. H. Street Company started work on May 6, 1925, on Highland Avenue at Great Plain Avenue. Work progressed with no unusual difficulty until the deep cut north of Rosemary Street was reached. At this point the material changed from gravel to clay hardpan with embedded boulders, and water was encountered in quantities sufficient to tax the capacity of the underdrain, which had been carried from a point of free outlet in Memorial Park. After striking this hardpan and boulder formation, progress was slow — due largely to inadequate equipment. The contractor at a later date purchased a larger excavating machine but while some improvement resulted, the work on Highland Avenue dragged to the considerable inconvenience of the public.

On January 23, 1926, the contractor closed down for the winter leaving some backfilling not done, including the trench on Highland Avenue between Hunnewell Street and

Manson Road. There also remained the general cleaning up of the job. Work was resumed on April 1, 1926, and the backfilling completed. There remained the stoppage of considerable leakage through badly constructed manhole bottoms and pipe joints, and the cleaning up of the sewers by removal of accumulations of dirt. This cleaning of the sewer and the repair of manhole bottoms was necessarily a condition precedent to the making of the connection with the Metropolitan System, and also to the permitting of house holders to make use of the Sewer. The F. H. Street Company made unsatisfactory progress in this work of repair and seemed to show little indication of intelligent or active interest. On May 18, 1926, the Committee ordered the contractor to discontinue work, and proceeded to have the cleaning of the sewer and the stopping of leakage done by Mr. Louis Balboni, who, starting on May 22, completed the job on June 10, 1926.

Other than the references above made to the encountering of material more difficult than would be anticipated from surface indications, there is little of general interest to record in reference to the work of construction.

All joints were made with G-K compound and a reasonably tight system of sewers was obtained. At no time has there been opportunity of measuring accurately the leakage from the whole system as built, without complications by inflow from construction operations, or of flow from house connections. Correcting for the inflow from construction operations, such measurements as were made before any house connections were in use indicate a leakage of less than ten thousand gallons per day per mile of sewer laid, or a total of less than sixty thousand gallons per day. This, in view of the conditions encountered and the large percentage of sewer laid below ground water level is, nevertheless, satisfactory work and well below the average leakage for sewers.

Cast iron pipe was used for the first 786 feet from the Metropolitan Sewer, or through the section where outward leakage of sewage from vitrified pipe sewers might affect the Needham water supply.

Concrete was liberally used in reinforcing pipe sewer 15 inches or larger in diameter, and also 12-inch pipe in some sections of bad bottom.

The plug at the Metropolitan was removed on May 15, 1926, and that part between Warren Street and the River was made available, and the first house connection was made on May 22, 1926. That part of the sewer contract covering Section 2 was completed and accepted for use on June 15, 1926; thus making all of the sewer available with the exception of that portion west of Chestnut Street. The west of Chestnut Street section was completed August 31, 1926.

In addition to the regular sewer construction, the Sewer Committee have installed with their own force a common sewer in Pickering Place, 200 feet; Great Plain Avenue, 60 feet and Garden Street, 105 feet.

Financial Statement

Appropriation	$150,000 00
Interest for 1925	1,177 20
Interest for 1926	737 50
Total	$151,914 70

Of this amount there is left an unexpended balance of $524.28.

Assessments, with the right to pay in ten annual installments were levied, and mailed to abutters as fast as the sewer became available, and out of a total of $64,000.00 so assessed, approximately $19,000 have been paid into the treasury. The Committee, in figuring the basis of assessments, estimated the total frontage served and included therein the property belonging to the Town, which is customary. It was necessary to abate Town frontages inasmuch as there were no appropriations to pay them; and it is expected that at the next Town Meeting the sum of $5,458.49 representing these abatements will be appropriated and credited to the Sewerage paid-in Assessment Account to be used only for future extensions.

Mr. Lester C. Hollis was employed March 1, 1926, as Superintendent, and has served not only in this capacity but also as an engineer for other town departments. Mr. Hollis is an engineer who is capable of looking after the present system, and is competent to engineer and supervise its future extensions. A copy of his report is appended.

Rules and regulations for house connections were drawn up, adopted, and published, and applications for house connections were prepared and mailed to all abutters and sixty-six connections were made this year.

The Committee in conjunction with the Agent of the Board of Health have conferred in relation to further extensions of the system with the view of making recommendations for construction where it is most needed. We believe, however, that the extensions should be in districts where the greatest number of people would be served. We are unanimous in the opinion that a conservative policy should be followed, and that whatever money is spent should be appropriated, for the present at least, out of the sums collected on sewer assessments; and these appropriations should be spent at the discretion of the Sewerage Commission.

Following is a list of streets through which sewers should be constructed within the next few years:

Street	No. Feet	Estimated Cost
Great Plain Ave.—Maple to Linden	342	$1,150 00
Maple Court—Maple St. to Linden	410	3,500 00
Linden Street	1,380	6,200 00
Dedham Ave.—Lincoln to Warren	500	2,250 00
Pleasant Street	1,150	3,125 00
Greendale Ave.—High to Webster.....	1,480	4,100 00
Manning Street	2,330	8,200 00
Bradford Street	1,850	4,740 00
Dedham Ave.—Bradford to R.R. Bridge	1,000	3,000 00
Total estimated cost		$36,265 00

We recommend that the $19,000 already paid in for assessments be appropriated at the next annual Town Meeting for extensions.

The Committee recommend that action be taken on the following:

1. That an ordinance be enacted that abutters shall be required to enter the sewer within six months from date of assessment. Such an ordinance would contribute to the general health of the Town, and is necessary to produce a sanitary condition in all districts where construction has taken place. Whenever a public sewer is laid past a house it should be made unlawful to maintain any cesspool or privy vault within 100 feet of the street line.

2. That the Sewer Department shall be voted the right to keep the official sewer plans—copies to be filed with the Town Clerk. The present State law requires the official plans to be filed with the Town Clerk unless the Town by ordinance or by-law determines otherwise. The present requirements lead to inconvenience and confusion as the plans are in continual use in our Engineering Department. For all practical purposes the same results would be obtained by filing photostatic copies with the Town Clerk and allowing the originals to remain in the Sewer Department.

3. That the Town should provide land and storage facilities for the Sewer Department. At present the tools are kept in the corridor of the basement of the Town Hall and pipe is stored on private land for which rental is paid. With the sewerage extensions contemplated for the coming year, additional tools will be necessary as well as a truck and an air compressor. There is no space now available for storing this equipment without increased rental expense.

4. That some action should be taken relative to making charges for particular sewers of estates bordering on the

Wellesley extension of the South Metropolitan Sewer. The State law allows towns the right to enter particular sewers or house connections into the Metropolitan Sewer according to rules and regulations published by the Metropolitan Commission. Estates receiving the benefit of sewerage in this way within the Town are at present not covered by any vote of the Town regarding assessments.

In November Mr. N. Leroy Hammond, the first member appointed on this Committee, resigned on account of his appointment as resident engineer on the Metropolitan Water development in the Ware River District. This necessitated his leaving Needham.

Mr. Hammond brought to the Committee his wide knowledge and experience on work of this character, and the Town was particularly fortunate in securing him as a member.

His successor, Mr. Arthur W. Littlehale, was elected according to statute to fill the vacancy.

The present Sewer Committee which is serving by appointment ends its services at the next Town election, at which time three commissioners must be elected for one, two, and three year terms, respectively.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. LORD, *Chairman*,
EDWARD SEAVER, *Secretary*,
ARTHUR W. LITTLEHALE,

Sewer Committee.

REPORT OF THE SEWER SUPERINTENDENT

To the Members of the Sewer Committee,
Gentlemen:

I submit for your consideration the first annual report of the Sewer Department.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Construction Account

Balance of previous year	$43,801 65	
Interest on bonds	737 50	
Total		$44,539 15
Expenditures:		
Administration	$391 14	
Engineering	4,062 60	
Labor	985 21	
Legal fees	379 50	
Property Damages	387 11	
Vitrified pipe	3,426 53	
Sand and gravel	454 35	
Trap rock	485 38	
Road oils	1,278 83	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Co.	1,259 57	
Contractor Section I	18,080 34	
Contractor Section II	6,525 41	
Total expenditures		37,715 97
Balance		$6,823 18

Maintenance Account

Balance of previous year	$2,530 29	
Appropriation	17,300 00	
Credit for Vitrified pipe:		
(Transferred to H. C. Account)	1,670 92	
Total		$21,501 21
Expenditures:		
Administration	$1,782 71	
Labor	228 41	
Engineering supplies	319 68	
Surveying Instruments	583 77	
Office furniture	291 50	
Office supplies	504 58	
Auto cost and maintenance	737 22	
Tools and Equipment	553 99	
Metropolitan charges	12,995 02	
Total expenditures		18,097 18
Balance		$3,404 03

Inventory:		
Town Property belonging to Department:		
Furniture and fixtures	$375 00	
Surveying instruments	550 00	
One Ford truck	225 00	
Office supplies	275 00	
Engineering supplies	175 00	
Tools and equipment	325 00	
Total		1,925 00

House Connection Account

Receipts:		
Advanced Loan	$10,000 00	
Deposits and balances due paid by applicants	6,309 84	
Total		$16,930 84
Expenditures:		
Labor	$4,347 62	
Superintendence	208 33	
Tools and equipment	423 08	
Street resurfacing	264 00	
Vitrified pipe	1,767 57	
Cast iron pipe	74 70	
Jointing compound and jute	301 21	
Cement, brick, lumber, etc.	278 10	
Manhole castings	102 50	
Total expenditures		7,767 11
Balance		$8,542 73
Inventory:		
Pipe	$1,040 43	
Jointing compound and jute	50 00	
Tools and equipment	280 00	
Completed work unpaid Dec. 31, 1926	86 84	
Total		$1,457 27

SUMMARY OF SEWERAGE STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926

General

Population by census of 1925	8,977	
Estimated population for 1926	9,200	
Total area of Town	12.75	Sq. Miles
Area served by Sewerage System	0.30	Sq. Miles
Estimated population using Sewerage System	900	
Total length	5.3	Miles

SUMMARY OF SEWERS AS CONSTRUCTED

Street	From	To	Length	Size	Manholes	Total Cost	Cost Per Foot
Cedar Place	Chestnut Street	Maple Street	605.0′	12″	2	$10,112 17	$16 71
Chapel Street	Great Plain Avenue	End	369.5	8	1	1,452 50	3 93
Chestnut Road	Chestnut Street	End	225.0	8	1	849 70	3 78
Chestnut Street	Garfield Street	Cedar Place	104.3	12	2	1,849 93	17 74
Chestnut Street	Garfield Street	Great Plain Avenue	1,878.2	8	1	6,621 50	3 53
Dedham Avenue	Metropolitan Sewer	South Street	809.5	18	4	7,218 13	8 92
Dedham Avenue	South Street	R. R. Interceptor	2,638.8	15:18:20	9	13,680 96	5 18
Dedham Avenue	Lincoln Street	Great Plain Avenue	280.7	18	2	1,805 07	6 43
Garden Street	Great Plain Avenue	Northerly	105.0	8	0	257 64	2 45
Garfield Street	Warren Street	Lincoln Street	682.0	18	1	6,774 23	9 93
Garfield Street	Lincoln Street	Chestnut Street	340.0	12	1	4,149 48	12 20
Great Plain Avenue	Chestnut Street	Easterly	60.0	5	0	115 88	1 93
Great Plain Avenue	Dedham Avenue	Pickering Street	431.7	8	1	1,635 70	3 79
Great Plain Avenue	Maple Street	Railroad	298.0	8	3	1,557 60	5 23
Highland Avenue	Great Plain Avenue	May Street	948.25	15:18	3	5,202 11	5 49
Highland Avenue	May Street	Summitt M. H.	381.75	8	1	1,079 30	2 83
Highland Avenue	Interceptor	West Street	2,352.6	15:18	10	14,805 03	6 29
Highland Avenue	West Street	Webster Street	2,058.8	12	8	13,561 60	6 59
Howland Street	Webster Street	Pleasant Street	720.8	15:18	3	3,494 94	4 85
Hunnewell Street	Highland Avenue	West Street	750.2	8	2	2,113 10	2 82
Interceptor	Pleasant Street	Warren Street	390.4	20	0	2,876 74	7 37
Kimball Street	Lincoln Street	Grant Street	230.0	8	1	699 57	3 04
Kimball Street	Warren Street	Grant Street	340.0	8	1	952 46	2 80
Lincoln Street	Garfield Street	Dedham Avenue	1,724.4	15	4	10,145 06	5 88
Maple Street	Interceptor	Maple Court	368.2	12	2	2,553 98	6 94
Maple Street	Maple Court	Great Plain Avenue	1,503.4	8	5	4,828 83	3 21
Mark Lee Road	Highland Avenue	End	134.7	8	1	414 60	3 07
Mark Lee Road	Hunnewell Street	End	504.8	8	2	1,479 00	2 93
May Street	Highland Avenue	Pickering Street	463.5	18	2	2,819 20	6 08

Mellen Street	Highland Avenue	Webster Street	885.0	8	2	2,623 82	2 96
Pickering Place	Pickering Street	End	200.0	6	2	358 18	1 79
Pickering Street	Great Plain Avenue	May Street	864.7	8	2	2,087 10	2 41
Pickering Street	May Street	Kingsbury Street	609.7	18	2	3,732 64	6 12
Playground Inter.	Kingsbury Street	Highland Avenue	908.5	15	2	4,017 43	4 42
R. R. Inter.	Dedham Avenue	Webster Street	751.25	15:20	1	3,464 75	4 61
Warren Street	Howland St. Inter.	Garfield St. Inter.	156.80	20	2	3,097 54	19 75
Warren Street	Garfield St. Inter.	Dedham Avenue	1,250.70	8	3	3,528 49	2 82
Webster Street	R. R. Interceptor	Howland Street	164.5	20	2	1,822 68	11 08
West Street	Highland Avenue	Hunnewell Street	550.0	8	2	1,551 78	2 82
Total	.....	.....	28,040.65	.....	93	$151,390 42	$6 56 Ave.

Disposal

Method, Discharge into South Metropolitan Sewerage System		
Payment for maintenance South Metropolitan System	$3,188 22	
Payment for sinking fund South Metropolitan System	3,127 22	
Payment for interest South Metropolitan System	6,119 58	
Payment for serial bonds South Metropolitan System	560 00	
Average daily discharge for year	72,000	G. P. D.
Average daily discharge for each user	80	G. P. D.
Average daily discharge of factory wastes	15,000	G. P. D.
Average daily leakage into sewers	42,000	G. P. D.
Average daily leakage per mile of sewer	8,000	G. P. D.
Estimated water consumption per day per capita	63	Gallons
Estimated rate of flow of entire gravity district	490,000	Minimum
of 15 miles as completed in 10 years	610,000	Maximum
Estimated rate of flow for present system	110,000	G. P. D.

Valuation

Cost of mains	$151,390 42
Bonded debt	145,000 00
Rate of interest on bonds	4%

Assessments

Method and Rate: 64c per Linear Foot of Frontage and 1c per Square Foot of Area Drainable Within 100 Feet of Street Line	
Proportion of cost of system assessed on abutters	66⅔%
Total assessments levied	$64,351 44
Town properties abated	5,458 49
Private lands not benefited wholly abated	1,755 83
Private lands abated for corrections	161 26
Total assessments received including interests	19,071 35

House Connections

By whom made	Town Forces
Sizes	5″—6″
Number made during year	66
Linear feet laid during year	4,223 Feet
Linear feet discontinued during year	None
Total miles in use	0.80
Average length per connection	64 Feet
Average cost per foot of connection.	$1 48
Number of stoppages coming to attention of Department	None
Total cost paid by	Applicant

SUMMARY OF HOUSE CONNECTIONS

	Possible Connections	Completed Connections	Per Cent Completed	Partially Installed To House
Cedar Place	7	0	0	..
Chapel Street	7	2	28.6	..
Chestnut Street	34	4	11.8	..
Chestnut Road	5	5	100	..
Dedham Avenue	8	2	25	..
Great Plain Avenue	11	2	18.2	.
Highland Avenue	63	13	20.6	..
Howland Street	12	2	16.6	..
Hunnewell Street	9	2	22.2	..
Kimball Street	9	4	44.4	..
Lincoln Street	23	7	30.5	..
Maple Street	38	5	13.1	..
Mark Lee Road	9	3	33.3	3
May Street	4	0	0	..
Mellen Street	15	0	0	..
Pickering Street	21	3	14.3	..
Pickering Place	6	3	50	..
Warren Street	24	2	8.3	..
West Street	7	4	57.1	..
Total	312	63	20.5	3

CONCLUSION

The principal work accomplished by the Sewer Department this year has been the construction of 365 feet of common sewers and 4,223 linear feet of house connections and partial cleaning of main and lateral sewers. Surveys and plans were made, titles examined, and papers drawn for the taking by the Town of sewer easement through Pickering Place. Schedules of sewer assessments and charges were prepared in all streets where sewers were laid.

In addition to the regular duties of the Superintendent, lines and grades were established, titles of abutting properties

examined, plans drawn and furnished to the Board of Selectmen in connection with the acceptance of Pinewood Road. Lines and grades were furnished for the construction of Pinewood Road, Prince Street, Mark Lee Road. Lines and grades of Parish Road were established and furnished to contractor grading the cemetery property abutting Parish Road.

Lines and grades were established, titles of abutting properties examined, plans drawn and furnished to the Board of Selectmen for the levying of assessments under the Betterment Act due to the construction of 6790 linear feet of granolithic sidewalk on the following streets: Linden Street, Mayo Avenue, Maple Terrace, Hunnewell Street, Melrose Avenue, Mark Lee Road, Highland Avenue, High Street, Gordon Road, Dedham Avenue. Lines and grades were furnished to the Highway Department for constructing storm-water drains in the following streets: Warren Street, Pickering Street, Great Plain Avenue, Manning Street.

For total engineering services rendered to other departments the following sum has been credited to the Sewer Department: $407.97.

Highway Department

Streets	$106 25		
Sidewalks	228 62		
Drains	34 00		
General	36 10		
Total		$404 97	
School Department	$2 00		
Memorial Park Trustees	1 00		
Total		3 00	
			$407 97

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

In closing this report the Superintendent most heartily thanks the other department heads who have so readily rendered their assistance and co-operation, and all those who in any way associated with him in an effort to make this first year's work successful.

Very respectfully,

LESTER C. HOLLIS,

Superintendent.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

December 31, 1926.

To the Citizens of Needham:

The past year has been a very fortunate one since the Town has been prosperous and only seven new applications for aid were made. Five of these were temporary while two will be of some length on account of ill health and old age.

Under Chapter 118 of the General Laws, we aided five families with a total of twelve children to the amount of $3,032.57. Under this law, the Town is reimbursed by the State to the amount of one-third of the aid rendered.

Under Outdoor Relief, twenty-one different cases were aided with a total of twenty-nine children and cost $6,488.30.

Hospital cases including medical aid and medicine cost $1,887.31.

We are asking for $12,000 for 1927 and $1,000 for the deficiency appropriation, a total of $13,000 which is $800.00 less than last year.

It is again urged that you read and study the following tables which show the comparative cost of aid rendered since 1917.

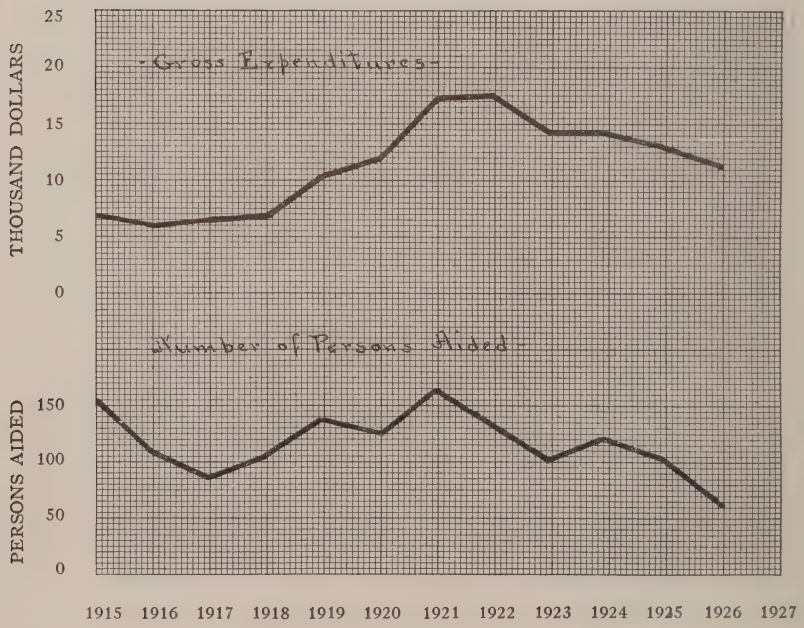
On account of reimbursements, the net expenditure was $5,186.39.

EVAN C. THORPE,
SUSAN W. FISKE,
ALFRED T. BAKER.

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

1926 Expenditures ...	$11,723 34	1926 Appropriation .	$13,000 00
Balance Unexpended.	1,276 66		
	$13,000 00		$13,000 00
Deficiency Expenditure	$291 94	1925 Deficiency Appropriation	$800 00
Balance Unexpended.	508 06		
	$800 00		$800 00

Expended from 1926 Appropriation	$11,723 34
Expended from 1925 Deficiency Appropriation	291 94
Total Expenditure for the Year 1926	$12,015 28



RECORD OF CASES FOR YEAR 1926

No. of Case	Personnel	Duration of Aid	Type of Aid	Amount
418	Family of 6	1 wk.	Groceries	$12 00
466	Family of 3	1 yr.	Cash	521 43
216	Family of 4	4 mos.	Cash, hospital, fuel, medicine, burial	544 95
217	One adult	7 mos.	Hospital	456 44
227	Two children	9 mos., 1 wk.	Board	284 24
408	Family of 4	1 yr.	Cash	403 27
199	Family of 3	1 yr.	Cash	469 32
224	One adult	248 days	Board	248 00
203	One adult	1 yr.	Cash, hospital, medicine, board, and misc.	860 29
264	Family of 2	1 yr.	Cash and medical treatment	266 53
223	One adult	10 mos.	Cash, fuel, and board	259 38
477	One adult	1 yr.	Cash, hosp., and cloth.	540 32
444	Three children	1 yr.	Board	773 71
421	Family of 3	24 wks.	Cash	200 34
212	One child	23 wks., 1 dy.	Board	115 71
431	Family of 3	1 yr.	Cash and fuel	530 88
219	Family of 3	1 yr.	Cash	782 15
226	One adult	5 mos.	Rent	72 00
207	Two adults	1 yr.	Cash, rent, fuel, and miscellaneous	715 53
220	One child	1 yr.	Board	261 42
195	Family of 5	1 yr.	Cash, fuel, doctor, and miscellaneous	1,116 13
472	Family of 6	1 yr.	Cash	521 43
198	One adult	1 yr.	Hospital	636 77
404	Family of 4	3 mos., 10 ds.	Cash	114 30
335	Two children	1 yr.	Board	208 53
59	One adult	1 yr.	Board	312 83
416	One adult	7 mos., 3 wks.	Cash	155 53
229	Family of 4	1 mo.	Rent and fuel	24 75

Total Aid Rendered	$11,408 18
Miscellaneous Expense	15 16
Agent's Salary	300 00
Total Expenditure	$11,723 34
Reimbursements during 1926	*6,536 95
Net Expenditure	$5,186 39

*Note: This amount abnormal due to receiving money from the City of Boston on disputed account.

COMPARATIVE CLASSIFICATION OF AID RENDERED

	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926
Board	$839 18	1669 87	$1,250 61	$2,001 19	$1,612 57	$2,465 63	$1,302 76	$1,027 99	$1,329 50	$2,251 58
Rent	1,024 00	1,030 00	1,124 00	779 00	605 00	802 00	930 00	953 00	720 00	237 00
Food	1,695 12	1,889 40	2,548 17	776 81	142 67	172 98	316 85	284 32	.....	12 00
Fuel	307 30	297 80	391 15	367 95	299 05	355 03	371 48	339 85	160 45	212 78
Medicine and med. aid	76 70	74 27	56 05	41 84	115 71	263 71	200 50	96 00	70 00	88 92
Agent's salary	180 00	180 00	240 00	240 00	290 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00
Misc. and dept. expense	191 26	294 79	154 98	90 76	451 73	172 97	74 87	31 45	41 66	80 61
Hospital	915 49	995 71	1,244 86	623 39	832 44	330 35	1,051 79	1,819 38	1,905 45	1,798 39
Burials	30 00	196 50	.....	42 00	146 00	271 00	25 00	.....	232 00	50 00
Cash disbursements	1,467 18	1,736 90	3,780 32	7,103 57	12,978 13	12,519 56	9,960 36	9,322 00	8,337 32	6,692 06
Gross expenditure	$6,726 23	$7,365 24	$10,790 14	$12,066 51	$17,473 30	$17,653 23	$14,533 61	$14,173 99	$13,096 38	$11,723 34
Reimbursements	1,134 37	576 55	1,117 81	1,856 47	4,164 42	11,059 59	4,602 02	4,750 62	4,547 91	6,536 95
Net expenditure	$5,591 86	$6,788 69	$9,672 33	$10,210 04	$13,308 88	$6,593 64	$9,931 59	$9,423 37	$8,548 47	$5,186 36

COMPARATIVE COSTS OF AID RENDERED

	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926
Hospital and infirmary per person per day	$0 86	$0 86	$1 88	$1 79	$2 11	$2 58	$2 07	$1 86	$1 90	$2 39
Temporary aid, including M. A. per case, per day	74	96	1 18	1 44	1 78	1 70	1 70	1 49	1 40	1 49
Boarded or fully supported per person per week	4 39	4 62	3 99	3 44	3 43	5 00	3 58	4 19	4 99	5 88
Number of cases aided	36	37	46	36	45	41	33	40	35	30
Number of Persons aided	89	109	143	128	165	137	101	125	106	70
Mothers' Aid cases, per person, per week	.....	.....	$2 46	$2 89	$2 92	$3 12	$2 80	$2 65	$3 06	$3 49
Cost per inhabitant	85	1 03	1 47	1 45	1 90	94	1 42	1 18	1 07	57
	(1)	(1)	(1)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(4)

NOTE: (1) Based upon 6,600 population.
(2) Based upon 7,000 population.
(3) Based upon 8,000 population.
(4) Based upon 9,000 population.

NOTE: Average cost per inhabitant for year 1922 as shown above is 94c. This seeming reduction over previous years is accounted for in the fact that the reimbursements in 1922 were for aid rendered in year 1921 and prior. In order to judge the average cost per inhabitant, we suggest that 1921 and 1922 be averaged which shows a cost of $1.42 for years 1921 and 1922.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NEEDHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

During 1926 the circulation of the Library and its Deposit Stations was 52,106. A large number of books and magazines were read on the premises, but it is not feasible to attempt to record these and they doubtless number many thousand.

Various plans are being tried to extend the usefulness of the library, and others are under consideration.

A serious problem as to more stacks for books confronts the Library. As originally planned it was proposed to have other stacks above the present ones in the main hall when such were needed, but all steel and iron work is far more costly than it was in 1916 when the library was built.

The least active departments have mostly been transferred to the basement, but how the Town can avoid the expenditure of a large sum of money within two years is not apparent. Galleries and a stairway and some open flooring, in addition to more stacks, presumably all of metal, will be very expensive. The Trustees appreciate the severe demands upon the community to meet the needs of our rapidly growing town, but something has got to be done soon about securing more room for books in the library.

Miss Harriett Willett served the Library as an assistant in the summers of 1914 and 1915, and from January 1, 1916, to June 19, 1926, was one of the regular assistants, holding the position of First Assistant since November 28, 1922. Whenever the position of Librarian has been vacant the First Assistant has had the responsibility and has been at the head of the Library. When Miss Willett left our service last June we lost a faithful and efficient assistant, and we believe one that was liked by the patrons of the Library.

Respectfully submitted for the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library,

GEORGE K. CLARKE,

January 21, 1927. *Chairman.*

NEEDHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

I herewith submit my annual report as Librarian of the Needham Free Public Library.

In addition to my statistical report, I am presenting a short report, embodying a statement of present conditions, and of some urgent needs of the Library.

One of the most pressing needs of the Library at present is more shelf room for the non-fiction. We have reached the point now where we must have additional shelf room. It is very unsightly and unsystematic to have to lay some of the books sideways on top of others for lack of room. Providing a few more shelves for the non-fiction is at best only temporary relief. The time is at hand when we must take more drastic measures to increase our shelving capacity.

The Library wishes to affiliate more closely with the schools, so that there may be co-operation between two of the educational institutions of the Town whose work and aims are in many respects similar. I feel that if good reading habits are started in the children of grammar school age, those habits will be carried over into adult life. To this end, I have spoken at the Junior High and William Carter Schools, and intend to do so at the other schools as circumstances permit.

A weekly children's story hour would be a great addition to work in the juvenile department. The story telling would aim by its dramatic and vivid manner of presentation to make the children interested in the standard classics of children's literature. It would acquaint the children with these classics, and stimulate them to read them for themselves. It would also do much to raise the general level of juvenile reading.

In November of this year we borrowed from the State Library Commission, a traveling library of books in Italian. The collection has been well patronized by the Italian citizens, and we hope the books will continue to be useful to them. We intend to change the collection from time to time.

In conclusion, I wish to say that it seems to me that the need for more shelving, and the extension of the work with the children are the things to which particular attention should be given. The Trustees and the Librarian wish the Library to serve the community in every possible way, and to the furthest possible extent.

The statistical report follows:

Library Statistics for 1926

Days the Library was open	302
Total circulation (Main Library and Dep. Stations)	52,106
Average daily circulation (Main Library)	154
Largest daily circulation (Main Library) Feb. 27	322
Smallest daily circulation (Main Library) Feb. 10.	29
New registrations in 1926	667
Fines collected	$358 46
Reserve cards mailed	728
Overdue notices sent	1,192

Accessions

Books added by purchase		699
Books added by gift		14
Books added by binding		8
Books added by State		9
Books added by Town		1
Total gain		731
Books withdrawn		
Lost in inventory, 1926	68	
Worn out	115	
		183
Net gain		648

Circulation

Total circulation of books for home use	52,106
Total circulation of magazines for home use	3,961
Total juvenile circulation	15,238

Circulation From Main Library by Classes

General works	172
Philosophy	154
Religion	218
Sociology	1,742
Language	183
Science	528
Useful arts	759
Fine arts	761
Literature	2,455
History	1,750
Travel	404
Biography	1,375
Total non-fiction	10,501
Increase from 1925	580
Fiction	32,680
Magazines	3,387
Total circulation from Main Library	46,568

Circulation from Needhamdale Station

Fiction	3,947
Non-Fiction	238
Magazines	574
Total circulation	4,759

Circulation from the Eliot School

Total circulation	681
Increase from 1925	51

Circulation from the Parker School

Circulation from January to June, 1926	98

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA ABBOTT,

Librarian.

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

January 1, 1927.

I herewith submit the annual report of the Tree Warden Department for the year ending December 31, 1926.

A larger amount of roadside brush cutting was accomplished this year than in previous years, particular attention being given to the roadsides of Webster street and Great Plain Avenue. On Webster Street from Kingsbury to Mellen Streets, all brush was removed on both sides of the street between the highway and the abutters' lines, thus safeguarding the lives of pedestrians on what had previously been a most dangerous throughfare. On Great Plain Avenue from Greendale Avenue to the Dedham line, the brush was cut between the highway and the river, and the most desirable trees were trimmed and pruned. This makes an unusually attractive parkway and presents possibilities for future development. Brush cutting was done also on all outlying streets.

This Department has spent approximately $300 this year for shade trees, all of which have been planted. These are all well-grown hard maples, eighteen to twenty feet high, and promise to make splendid shade trees within a short time. They have all entered the winter in healthy condition.

The annual inspection of all shade trees in the Town has been made. Bark injuries and wounds of all descriptions have been cared for and treated with an antiseptic preparation to prevent further decay.

A considerable amount of trimming was done and dead wood removed from the large elms on Great Plain avenue. More of this work would have been accomplished if the appropriation had permitted.

There has been a reduced amount of injury by automobiles to our trees this year. The motorists apparently prefer to contest their rights on the streets and corners among themselves rather than with the trees, for which they have our sincere thanks.

The recovery our trees are making from the effects of the ice storm of a few years past is remarkable and should be apparent to observant persons. Most of them with care will be valuable trees for many years.

On our newly accepted streets between Mayo Avenue and Prince Street and on the opposite side of Great Plain Avenue, the property owners are very anxious to have shade trees set out. This planting program will have to cover a period of two years.

We have between 4,500 and 4,600 shade trees in this Town many of which require some attention every year. Brush cutting, the purchase of young trees, chemical fertilizer, and some new tools every year make it impossible to further extend our tree planting and yet keep within the present appropriation.

This Department is asking the Finance Committee to recommend an increase in the appropriation from $1,000 to $1,500 so that more of this work may be done.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE TWIGG,

Tree Warden.

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham:

While the work of the High School Building Committee has extended over a considerable time, and although a large sum of money has been spent by the Committee, there is, nevertheless, without including a mass of correspondence relating largely to details, little to be made into a formal report. The building, it is felt, is in itself a report.

The Committee held its first meeting on April 2, 1923, and thereafter, met regularly each month, with many special meetings called as necessary, until its final meeting on December 7, 1926.

The original appropriation of $180,000 was increased by

the Town by an additional $20,000, which was used for equipment not included when the Committee on plans submitted its estimate. Your Committee believes that the equipment of the Needham High School will bear comparison with that of any school of similar size, and that it is better than many.

The Thomas M. James Company, whose plans were submitted to the Town, were appointed architects, and in securing bids for construction, the list of bidders invited to compete was carefully selected, so that in all cases it was possible to accept the lowest bids. J. P. Keating was given the general contract: James Wilkinson & Co., the electrical, and M. A. Dame & Son Co., the heating and plumbing. All concerns were bonded. Equipment was bought from various reliable concerns, on a competitive basis, and after consultation with the School Committee. It should be said that the School Committee have co-operated with the Building Committee to the fullest extent, and that the relations between the two Committees have been exceedingly pleasant. All vouchers and bills, and the contracts and specifications are on file with the Town Accountant, and are open for public inspection at any time.

The School Committee, in further co-operation with the Building Committee, opened sessions of the High School in the building in September, 1924, although the building was not entirely completed. It was turned over to the Selectmen, as representatives of the Town, February, 1925.

EDMUND G. POND, *Chairman*
WINTHROP M. SOUTHWORTH, *Secretary*
ALFRED P. HARTSHORN,
ARTHUR G. JOHNSON,
WARREN W. LOOMIS,
WALTER E. LOVERING,
FRED L. MORTON,
WALTER K. QUEEN,
DANIEL L. SMITH.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

(Appointed by the Moderator to investigate the desirability of establishing a Public Works Department (Article 29, of warrant for annual town meeting of 1926).

The Committee report that in their opinion it would not be advisable for the Town of Needham to establish a Public Works Department at this time.

The Committee held numerous meetings, interviewed the officials of the departments which would be likely to be

included in the proposed Public Works Department, made as full a study of these departments as time would permit, and obtained all information readily available as to the workings of a public works department in a number of towns which have such departments.

Public works departments similar to that provided for in the Acts of 1924 Chapter 454 for Needham, which was not accepted, are in effect in Arlington, Framingham, Natick, Andover, Lexington and Walpole. In these departments are consolidated the powers of the highway, water, sewer, tree, park, and sometimes other departments. The control of these departments is vested in a board of three or five members elected for three-year terms, who appointa superintendent with such powers as the board may see fit to confer.

Replies to the Committee's inquiries as to the working of this system in these Towns was generally favorable, but not unanimously so. The advocates of the system claim that it co-ordinates the work, prevents duplication in the tearing up and re-surfacing of streets, brings the engineering work under one head, with all plans and data available to and the property of the Town, provides a central purchasing agency for all material, equipment and supplies, makes possible an interchange of labor and equipment among the several departments and makes for general efficiency in doing the work of the Town. There is much force in this argument particularly if the Town could be sure of having exactly the right man as superintendent of the public works department.

In the opinion of the committee the disadvantages at this time outweigh the advantages. Substantially all the advantages can be gained in other ways.

It is not claimed, so far as the committee knows, that the establishment of a public works department would result in a net saving of the Town's money. The salary of a public works superintendent would be an addition to present cost, and it would probably be impossible to dispense with the services of any paid official or employee of the departments as now conducted. In the opinion of the committee the establishment of a public works department would cause an increase rather than a decrease in expenditures.

With regard to duplication of plant and equipment the committee cannot find that any department has plant and equipment which could be used advantageously in the work of any other department, in substitution for other plant and equipment. The same appears to be true of labor the busy season being about the same in all departments. With regard to purchases the only material used in any considerable quantity by more than one department is coal, and the committee believe that the prices for this are as favorable under the present system as could be expected under any other.

It is in the opinion of the Committee for the best interests of the Town that an engineering department be established at this time, for the reason that, in their judgment it would bring to the Town substantially all the advantages of a public works department as far as Needham is concerned. The Committee believes it would give unification of control in opening and reconstruction of streets, and provide that all plans and data, for which the Town must pay anyway, will be available to and the property of the Town.

The cost of such a department would not, in our opinion, greatly exceed the amount now paid by the several departments for engineering work, which does not always give the Town the ownership of plans and records.

The Committee recommend the adoption by the Town of a by-law in the following form,—

Article——. Engineering Department

The Selectmen shall annually appoint a Town Engineer at a fixed salary, who shall have authority to appoint such assistants as the Town Engineering work requires, subject to the approval of the Selectmen. The Town Engineer shall have charge of all town engineering. The Town Engineer shall have charge of and shall preserve, arrange and index, so as to be readily accessible to the public, all plans, surveys, field notes, records, documents and inventories connected with the engineering department of the Town. He shall keep accurate records showing in detail the operation and cost of his department, and a fair and equal distribution of such cost among the several town departments in proportion to the amount of work done for each. The Town Engineer shall each year submit to the Selectmen in time for publication in the Annual Town Report, a statement showing in detail the work of the Engineering Department for the year and the names and compensation of all persons employed. The Selectmen shall have power to remove the Town Engineer at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL L. SMITH, *Chairman*,
HERBERT L. MOORE, *Secretary*,
LLOYD K. ALLEN,
FRED GREELY,
CHARLES M. DONAHUE,
ROSCOE A. CARTER,
LEONARD DAWSON
JERRY BOND,
ALFRED P. HARTSHORN.

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

FOR THE YEAR 1926

NEWTON
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1927

ORGANIZATION OF WATER DEPARTMENT

Commissioners

	Term Expires
PHILIP A. RAND, *Chairman*	1929
CHARLES W. JONES, *Secretary*	1928
HENRY THOMAS	1927

Clerk and Superintendent

GEORGE A. ADAMS

Engineer at Pumping Station

CHARLES H. MITCHELL

Regular Meeting of the Board

Second Tuesday of each month, at 7.30 p.m.

Telephones

Needham 300, Superintendent's residence
Needham 501-M, Assistant Superintendent's residence
Needham 230-W, Commissioner's office
Needham 1417, Pumping Station

NEEDHAM WATER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Election and Length of Service

John Moseley	1890–1893
James Mackintosh	1890–1896
John M. Hodge	1890–1900
George A. Adams	1893–1896
Edmund G. Pond	1896–1902
Edmund G. Pond	1904–1919
Frederic G. Tuttle	1896–1903
George H. Toone	1900–1912
William Carter	1902–1918
Albert E. Collishaw	1912–1919
Walter K. Queen	1918–1918
Philip A. Rand	1918–(now in office)
Henry Thomas	1919–(now in office)
Charles W. Jones	1919–(now in office)

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham, Massachusetts:

The Water Commissioners submit their thirty-seventh annual report for the year ending December 31, 1926.

At the annual Town Meeting in March, Mr. Philip A. Rand was re-elected Water Commissioner for a term of three years.

The Board organized by electing Mr. Philip A. Rand, chairman; Charles W. Jones, secretary; and appointing George A. Adams, clerk and superintendent.

Extension of Mains

The following extension of mains have been made in 1926:

Babson Park Avenue—From Burrill Lane, north.
Bennington Street—From High Street to Concord Street.
Burrill Lane—From Forest Street to Babson Park Avenue.
Concord Street—From Bennington Street to Tower Street.
Coolidge Avenue—From 1925 extension, south.
Forest Street—From Central Avenue to Burrill Lane.
Lexington Street—North and south of Tower Street.
Pinewood Road—From 1925 extension to Harris Avenue.
Prince Street—From 1925 extension to Harris Avenue.
Tower Street—From 1925 extension up Tower Hill past Lexington Street.
Warren Street—From Norfolk Street, south.
Washington Avenue—From 1925 extension, south.
Wilshire Park—From 1925 extension, south.

Extension of pipe smaller than four-inch have been laid in the following streets:

Beech Street, Bradford Street, Crescent Road, Glendoon Road, Kingsbury Street, Manson Road (to replace a small pipe), Morley Road, Ridgway Avenue, Sargent Street, and Upland Road.

A six-inch fire service main was laid to the property of the MacGregor Instrument Company on Highland Avenue, the cost being borne by the owners. The other extensions were made under a six per cent, ten-year guarantee. For length of pipe see Superintendent's report.

Hydrants

Nine steamer hydrants have been set as follows:

One each in Babson Park Avenue, Burrill Lane, Concord Street, Lexington Street, Tower Street, two in Warren

Street (Oak Hill) also one on the northeast corner of Needham Common to replace the standard discontinued opposite the Needham Garage, and one to replace the broken standard on Grove Street the first north from Charles River Street.

The hydrants have had their usual inspection and repairing, and are in good working order.

In 1927 the matter of building Coolidge and Central Avenues will be brought before the Town for action and in each case provision should be made to lay the water mains before the street construction, and if the water mains were laid in the following streets, it would do away with the existing dead ends and greatly improve the service in case of fire:

Mellen Street through to Webster Street.
Rosemary Street through to Highland Avenue.
May Street through to Highland Avenue.
Kingsbury Street to Fair Oaks Park and set a hydrant at the corner of Fairs Oaks Parks and Kingsbury Street.

Auxiliary Pumping Plant

It was necessary to commence pumping with the auxiliary electric plant July 9 and pump daily the rest of the year, pumping between twenty-five and twenty-six million gallons, averaging approximately one hundred and fifty thousand gallons per day.

During the month of October the water in the wells of the old supply was dangerously low, so it was necessary to run the auxiliary plant to its fullest capacity. In the old supply we had more pump than water and in the auxiliary supply more water than pump. In both cases we were pumping the limit and as we were so near the danger point, it was not only advisable but absolutely necessary to install a second pump for the auxiliary supply, so we contracted with F. A. Mazzur & Co. (to be installed immediately) the following equipment: A Gould 7 x 12 Standard Triplex pump, a 6 x 6 pyramid air pump, a thirty H. P. General Electric Motor to run the Triplex pump, and a $1\frac{1}{2}$ H. P. General Electric Motor to run the air pump. Both motors are 3 phase, 60 cycle, 220 volt, 40 degrees, 1200 R.P.M. the whole plant to be completed in every detail for the sum of $3,013.

The contract was completed as specified and the plant put in operation. The last pump installed has a capacity of two hundred and fifty gallons per minute and the first one, one hundred and fifty gallons per minute. They can be run singly or in unison, and when run in unison have a capacity of five hundred and seventy-six thousand gallons per day.

Water Rates

As authorized by vote of the Town in 1924.

The minimum advance water rate on each service shall be $10 per annum, from April 15 to April 15, and pays for 2,500 cubic feet of water if used between these dates.

Water used in excess of 2,500 cubic feet and under 202,500 cubic feet will be charged at the rate of twenty cents per 100 cubic feet.

Water used in excess of 202,500 cubic feet will be charged at the rate of eleven cents per 100 cubic feet.

Bills for the minimum advance water rate of ten dollars shall be rendered April 15, and will include the charges for excess water for the year ending on that date, except if the water used between April 15 and October 15, in the same year exceeds 2,500 cubic feet a bill for such excess shall be rendered and payable October 15, or, if the meter readings indicate that a large amount of water is being used on any service, the bills shall be rendered and payable monthly.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., valves	$26 20
The Bond Co., tools, jute	59 13
Solshine Mfg. Co., metal polish	3 00
Water Works Equipment Co., castings	57 30
Ludlow Valve Mfg. Co., valves and hydrants	1,681 87
Halperin Motor Co., Dodge coupe	630 50
Hodge Boiler Works, boiler tubes and repairing	884 03
F. A. Mazzur Co., on account of pump contract	2,737 55
Carpenter Co., flashlight	35 62
John Gegenheimer, fittings	40
Needham Garage, repairing	70 63
T. J. Crossman Co., Inc., supplies	60 89
Jenney Mfg. Co., gasoline	298 30
Charles E. Stanwood, collecting rates	300 00
G. W. Southworth, printing and stationery	66 03
Leon Forand, portable light	4 05
Henry Thomas Co., pipe and fittings	41 04
Adams Bros., tires, tubes and supplies	359 68
Edison Electric Ill. Co., light and power	1,002 44
Abel Stevens, blasting	186 00
Town of Needham, insurance	100 00
Needham Post-Office, stamps	68 22
Q-P Signal Co., packing	33 21
New York, New Haven & Hartford R.R., freight	1,689 96
F. L. Brown, setting glass	4 95
H. S. Locke & Son, cement and lumber	50 84
Carried forward	$10,451 84

Brought forward	$10,451 84
Suburban Hardware Co., supplies	119 49
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone service	172 27
Modern Garage, supplies	4 02
Herbert N. Mitchell, insurance	369 46
Alger Eaton, hauling pipe	249 38
Mario Pandolf Co., trenching contract	1,059 86
Needham Hardware, supplies	65
G. A. Adams, cash paid for supplies	28 65
Worthington Pump Co., engine part	25 60
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., pig lead and lead pipe	245 53
Bay State Belting Co., cotton waste	51 88
A. W. Chesterton Co., supplies	52 52
Valvoline Oil Co., machine and cylinder oil	371 87
Red Hed Mfg. Co., service stock	654 67
Hersey Mfg. Co., new meters	1,605 46
Hersey Mfg. Co., repairing meters	28 64
Hersey Mfg. Co. meter parts	67 57
Lead Lined Iron Pipe Co., lead lined pipe	1,606 09
Sumner & Dunbar, service stock	831 32
Rogers & McClellan, soda ash	6 00
J. C. Hall Co., treasurer's book	29 00
Good Mfg. Co., supplies	86 63
Neptune Meter Co., meter parts	118 87
Adams, Cushing & Foster, office supplies	30 97
Globe Metallic Packing Co., metallic packing	10 20
Edson Mfg. Co., pump part	1 25
Walworth Co., supplies	6 78
Geo. A. Caldwell Co., box finder	10 00
R. S. Adams, auxiliary pumping plant	210 00
Geo. W. Knowlton Rubber Co., packing	138 97
Boston Pipe & Fitting Co., service stock	1,189 61
Builders Iron Foundry, special castings	607 15
F. A. Houdelette & Son Co., cast iron pipe	8,286 62
American Railway Express, expressing	6 83
S. Jacobs, rubber boots	13 00
S. Roklan, sharpening tools	6 10
Lorenzo Savignano, trenching contract	1,592 23
A. J. Mathey, repairing gauge clock	2 50
W. W. Fitzgerald, sharpening and repairing tools	133 50
Registry of Motor Vehicles, registration of cars	12 00
Sewer Department, sewer for pumping station	33 84
Fred Walker, repairing truck	56 90
C. H. Spring Co., pipe for sewer	1 21
Horace Lobdell, repairing motors	49 84
Fore River Coal Co., 124 1920/2240 tons coal @ $8.40	1,048 80
Carried forward	$31,685 57

Brought forward	$31,685 57
Fore River Coal Co., 7 1720/2240 tons coal @ $7.90	61 37
Fore River Coal Co., 120 380/2240 tons coal @ $8.15	979 38
Highland Coal Co., 58 19/2000 tons coal @ $6.70	394 97
Highland Coal Co., 56 200/2000 tons coal @ $6.64	372 50
George A. Adams, superintendent	2,860 00
Charles H. Mitchell, chief engineer	1,944 80
R. S. Adams, assistant superintendent	2,340 00
Geo. G. Mitchell, assistant engineer	1,944 80
J. Wallace Eagan, labor	1,544 40
Frank Vecchio, labor	1,404 00
Frank Castiloni, labor	1,404 00
Joe Vecchio, labor	1,404 00
Philip Castanza, labor	702 38
Russell L. Emery, labor	1,248 00
Helen A. Bond, clerk	936 00
W. H. Wight, Jr., labor	5 00
James Scott, labor	190 32
Peter Youdis, labor	201 58
Joe Alaimo, labor	195 95
Refund on double payment	9 08
	$51,828 10
Interest on bonds	4,440 00
Interest on notes and loans	904 42
Certification and printing notes	84 24
Payment of note	4,000 00
Payment of loan	6,000 00
	$67,256 76

Bonds

Bonds to the amount of ten thousand dollars have matured and been paid during the year.

Outstanding Bonds

1927	$10,000	
1928	10,000	
1929	10,000	
1930	11,000	
1931	8,000	
1932	8,000	
1933	9,000	
1934	7,000	
1935	7,000	
1936	7,000	
1937	7,000	
1938	1,000	
1939	1,000	
1940	1,000	
1941	1,000	
1942	1,000	
1943	1,000	
1944	1,000	
Total outstanding bonds		$101,000 00
Total bonds matured and paid		229,000 00
Total authorization and issued		$330,000 00

Notes

Four thousand dollars of the twenty thousand dollar notes, which were issued in 1924 to be paid from the earnings of the Water Department, as per vote of the Town, have been paid in 1926, and notes for the fifteen thousand dollars voted by the Town in 1926 to be paid from the earnings of the Water Department have been issued.

The notes of the two issues are due as follows:

	1924 Notes	1926 Notes	Total
1927	$4,000 00	$3,000 00	$7,000 00
1928	4,000 00	3,000 00	7,000 00
1929	4,000 00	3,000 00	7,000 00
1930		3,000 00	3,000 00
1931		3,000 00	3,000 00
	$12,000 00	$15,000 00	$27,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP A. RAND,
CHARLES W. JONES,
HENRY THOMAS,
Water Commissioners.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Water Commissioners:

Gentlemen: I present the report of this department for the year ending December 31, 1926.

Summary of Receipts

Cash in treasury, January 1, 1926		$5,472 26
Water rates	$39,472 48	
Repairs	609 78	
Fines	63 46	
Rent of building	100 00	
Sale of ashes	12 00	
Interest on bank balances	112 92	
Premium and accrued interest	569 85	
Loans	10,000 00	
		$50,940 49
Extension of services	$1,564 10	
Sale of meters	109 00	
Sale of pipe	53 28	
Sale of pipe, etc. for street construction	543 19	
Notes	15,000 00	
		$17,269 57
		$73,682 32

Summary of Expenditures

Extension of main	$18,800 61	
Extension of service	6,855 22	
Purchase of meters	1,605 46	
Payment of note	4,000 00	
Increasing and protecting water supply	2,711 70	
		$33,972 99
Coal	$2,857 02	
Engineers	3,889 60	
Lighting station	131 28	
Labor on station and grounds	125 78	
Telephone service	49 33	
Supplies for station	605 46	
Pump parts and repairing	128 08	
Boiler tubes and repairing	884 03	
Insurance on buildings	100 00	
Connecting sewer	275 73	
Power for new station	871 16	
Labor at new station	210 00	
Supplies and repairing	76 94	
		$10,204 41

Office and meter reading	$1,487 56	
Telephone service	122 94	
Printing, stationery, and postage	208 42	
Treasurer's department	300 00	
Salaries	2,860 00	
Liability insurance	369 46	
Dodge coupe	630 50	
Repairing, parts and care of meters	658 07	
Labor and material on leaks	703 60	
Labor, supplies and general repairing	4,301 07	
Refund	9 08	
		$11,650 70
Interest on bonds	$4,440 00	
Interest on notes and loans	904 42	
Certification of notes and printing coupons	84 24	
Payment of loan	6,000 00	
		$11,428 66
Cash in treasury December 31, 1926		6,425 56
		$73,682 32
Cost of extending water main authorized by vote of the town:		
Babson Park	$8,665 08	
Tower Hill	4,178 82	
Oak Hill	2,465 28	
	$15,309 18	
Issue of Note	15,000 00	
Deficiency paid from earnings of the department	$309.18	

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Receipts

Balance January 1, 1926	$5,472 26	
Rates, rentals, and loans	50,940 49	
		$56,412 75

Expenditures

Orders drawn	$21,855 11	
Interest on bonds and loans	5,428 66	
Payment of loans	6,000 00	
Transferred to construction account	16,703 42	
		$49,987 19

Cash in treasury December 31, 1926		6,425 56
		$56,412 75

Assets

Cash balance		$6,425 56
Amount due from all sources less abatements		
Water rates $5,661.98 less $505.83	$5,156 15	
Repairs	326 94	
		5,483 09
		$ 11,908 65

Liabilities

Loans	$10,000 00
	$1,908 65
Total amount transferred from earnings of department for construction to December 31, 1926	93,345 27

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Receipts

Extension of services, etc.	$2,269 57	
Issue of notes	15,000 00	
Transferred from earnings of department	16,703 42	
		$33,972 99

Expenditures

Orders drawn	$29,972 99	
Payment of note	4,000 00	
		$33,972 99

Assets

Amount due this account	501 53

Cost of Works

Cost of works as reported December 31, 1925	$454,726 53
Expended in 1926	34,032 17
	$488,758 70

Meters

One hundred and sixteen meters have been purchased, making two thousand three hundred and eighty-five in the department.

List of Meters

NAME AND SIZE	⅝ in.	¾ in.	1 in.	1½ in.	2 in.	Total
Buffalo					1	1
Crown	37	1				38
Empire	4			1		5
Hersey Rotary	102	1	5	3	1	112
Hersey Disc (F)	1705	1	19	6	2	1733
Lambert	38					38
Nash	44		1			45
Torrent				1	1	2
Trident	401	1	7			409
Worthington	2					2
Total	2,333	4	32	11	5	2,385

Services

One hundred and twenty-six services have been added during the year, one discontinued, making a total of two thousand four hundred seventy-three.

Sixty-one are shut off temporarily, twenty-six supply the public buildings, parks and fountains of the Town. The length of service pipe laid is 8,898.9 feet, discontinued 368.9 feet. The balance added to the amount reported December 31, 1925, makes a total of 223,738.0 feet or 42.37 miles.

There are thirty fire service mains.

WATER PUMPED IN 1926

NO ALLOWANCE MADE FOR SLIP OF PUMPS

MONTHS	Gallons Pumped in 1926	Average Per Day in Each Month	Coal Consumed Including Heating Station and Banking Fires	Average Number Gallons Pumped Per Pound Coal
January	17,020,000	549,032	55,000	309.4
February	15,240,000	544,285	56,000	272.1
March	17,440,000	562,580	58,000	300.7
April	17,020,000	567,333	56,000	303.9
May	18,280,000	589,677	60,000	304.6
June	18,500,000	616,666	61,000	303.2
July	17,060,000	550,322	56,000	304.6
August	16,020,000	516,774	60,000	267.0
September	13,840,000	461,333	46,000	300.8
October	13,600,000	438,709	50,000	272.0
November	15,000,000	500,000	50,000	300.0
December	17,220,000	555,483	56,000	307.5
Total	196,240,000	537,644	664,000	295.5

Largest week's pumping June 20 to 27	4,540,000 gals.
Smallest week's pumping September 16 to 23	3,120,000 gals.
Largest day's pumping February 25	800,000 gals.
Smallest day's pumping July 25	200,000 gals.
Average coal per day	1,819 lbs.

AUXILIARY PUMPING STATION

TOTAL WATER PUMPED

MONTHS	Gallons Pumped	Total Gallons Pumped in 1926	Average Per Day in Each Month
January		17,020,000	549,032
February		15,240,000	544,285
March		17,440,000	562,580
April		17,020,000	567,333
May		18,280,000	589,677
June		18,500,000	616,666
July	3,611,000	20,671,000	666,806
August	1,269,000	17,289,000	557,709
September	4,994,000	18,834,000	628,800
October	6,400,000	20,000,000	645,161
November	5,240,000	20,240,000	674,666
December	4,191,000	21,411,000	690,677
Total	25,705,000	221,945,000	608,068

Auxiliary Station

Largest week ending October 30	1,512,000 gals.
Smallest week ending August 14	708,000 gals.
Largest day	216,000 gals.
Smallest day November 28	58,000 gals.
Number of gallons per kilowatt	797.22 gals.

Total Water Pumped

Largest week's pumping October 24 to 30	4,752,000 gals.
Smallest week's pumping July 24 to 30	4,093,000 gals.
Largest day's pumping December 18	857,500 gals.
Smallest day's pumping July 25	393,430 gals.

Water pumped since works were established December, 1890.

Year	Gallons
1890	1,185,637
1891	9,278,008
1892	23,963,508
1893	34,744,726
1894	40,959,255
1895	50,771,384
1896	53,599,032
1897	65,949,410
1898	77,202,200

Year	Gallons
1899	81,799,375
1900	81,684,617
1901	84,306,557
1902	100,350,737
1903	107,580,370
1904	100,176,526
1905	103,487,396
1906	124,785,658
1907	115,107,418
1908	129,830,392
1909	122,375,400
1910	121,317,391
1911	112,630,728
1912	130,140,606
1913	125,732,521
1914	144,269,698
1915	147,910,000
1916	151,240,000
1917	138,240,000
1918	168,460,000
1919	140,440,000
1920	164,820,000
1921	158,080,000
1922	170,040,000
1923	177,460,000
1924	182,532,000
1925	187,941,944
1926	221,945,000

Annual Revenue

Revenue since works were established, excluding income received from the Town for water for public purposes:

1890		$505 99
1891		2,318 45
1892		3,125 75
1893		4,205 75
1894		5,096 07
1895		5,826 42
1896	(ten months)	5,362 11
1897		6,629 75
1898		6,808 11
1899		7,334 06
1900		7,857 09
1901		7,593 08
1902		7,890 28
1903		8,959 75
1904		9,156 81

1905		$ 9,397 11
1906		12,285 20
1907		11,051 37
1908		12,391 19
1909		12,378 89
1910	(new rate $6.00 minimum)	10,995 10
1911		14,080 56
1912		14,461 30
1913		14,865 69
1914		17,419 34
1915		18,907 14
1916		21,395 40
1917		21,977 69
1918		22,336 06
1919		25,094 02
1920		25,258 86
1921		24,892 80
1922		25,682 80
1923		28,859 42
1924	(new rate $10 minimum)	35,820 47
1925		40,097 10
1926		41,694 91

Extension of Mains

STREETS	Locations	Pipe			Gates		Hydrants
		8 in.	6 in.	Total	8"	6"	
Bennington	from High to Concord St.		647.7	647.7		2	1
Babson Park Ave.	from Burrill Lane north	228.5		228.5	1		1
Burrill Lane	from Forest St. to Babson Park Ave.	1,724.1		1,724.1	2		1
Concord	from Bennington to Tower St.		249.8	249.8		2	1
Coolidge Ave.	from 1925 ext. south		506.2	506.2		1	1
Forest	from Central Ave. to Burrill Lane	2,112.1		2,112.1	4	2	
Highland Ave.						2	1
Lexington	from Tower, north and south		526.0	526.0		2	1
Pinewood	from 1925 ext. to Harris Ave.		193.1	193.1		1	
Prince	from 1925 ext. to Harris Ave.		293.8	293.8		1	
Tower	from 1925 ext. east		464.4	464.4		4	1
Warren	from Norfolk St. south	771.0		771.0	1		2
Washington Ave.	from 1925 ext. south		519.5	519.5		1	1
Wilshire Park	from 1925 ext. south		144.5	144.5		1	
Hydrant conn.			164.6	164.6			
Total		4,835.7	3,709.6	8,545.3	8	19	11

LIST OF PIPES LAID TO DECEMBER 31, 1926

STREETS	DIAMETER AND LENGTH OF PIPE									GATES						Hydrants
	18 in.	16 in.	14 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.	4 in.	Total	16 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.	4 in.	
Alfreton Road								470.3	470.3						1	1
Avery							736.8		736.8					3		2
Avondale Road							235.5		235.5					1		1
Babson Park Ave.						228.5			228.5				1			1
Bennington							647.7		647.7					2		1
Birds' Hill Avenue		1,033.5				372.5			1,406.0	1			1			3
Bradford							1,320.3		1,320.3					3		1
Brookline							1,301.5		1,301.5					2		2
Brookside Road								1,843.0	1,843.0						2	3
Burrill Lane						1,724.1			1,724.1				2			1
Carter							760.0		760.0					1		1
Carter Place							30.1	293.2	322.4						1	1
Caulton Park							463.0		463.0					1		1
Cedar Place								204.0	204.0						1	
Cedar							75.0		75.0							
Central Avenue						2,615.0	18,594.6		21,209.6				2	17		37
Chapel							368.8		368.8					1		1
Charles River						8,058.0	548.3		8,606.3				7	2		15
Chestnut Place								203.0	203.0						1	
Chestnut						1,978.7	2,837.5		4,826.6				2	4		9
Chestnut Court							37.0		37.0					1		1
Concord							249.8		249.8					2		1
Coolidge Avenue							1,047.4		1,047.4					2		2
Crescent Road							1,230.0		1,230.0					4		3
Cross								364.0	364.0							
Curve								658.5	658.5						1	1
Davenport Road							625.6		625.6					1		1
Dedham Avenue		67.4		23.5	5,686.5	405.3			6,182.7		1	5	4			8

Emerson Road							622.5		622.5					1	1
Fair Oaks Park							2,070.4		2,070.4				4		3
Fair View Road							533.0		533.0				2		1
Fisher							932.2	285.0	1,217.2				1		3
Forest						2,112.1		2,475.7	4,587.8			4	2	2	3
Gage							197.7	280.5	478.2					1	1
Garden							958.0		958.0				1	1	3
Grant							1,085.5		1,085.5				3		2
Green							872.0		872.0				1		2
Great Plain Avenue			3,508.8	1,706.0	9,340.9		5,975.7		20,531.4		7	4	13	5	1	38
Greenwood Avenue							1,036.3		1,036.3					1		2
Greendale Avenue							7,781.6		7,781.6				10		16
Greenough							233.8		233.8						
Grove Avenue						953.4	883.7		1,837.1			1	1		1
Grove						2,826.0			2,826.0			4			6
Grove Terrace								155.2	155.2					1	
Gordon Terrace							518.9		518.9				2		1
Harris Avenue						3,080.1			3,080.1			4			5
Hemlock							478.5		478.5				1		1
Henderson							1,153.1		1,153.1				2		2
High							1,433.7		1,433.7				3		3
High Rock							1,557.5	1,201.8	2,759.3				4		6
Highland Avenue			1,332.5	4,031.5	5,127.8		1,400.0		11,891.8		1	6	6	5		23
Highland							158.8		158.8				1		
Highland Circle							260.2		260.2				1		1
Hillside Avenue						1,135.2	2,681.6	845.9	4,662.7			2	8	1	10
Hillcrest		901.9							901.9	2					2
Howland								458.9	458.9					1	
Hunnewell						2,865.0	1,716.5		4,581.5			3	5	1	10
Hunting Road								394.9	394.9					2	
Kimball							36.0	1,023.2	1,059.2					1	
Kingsbury							499.0		499.0				1		1
Lawton Road							1,219.0		1,219.0				1		2
Carried forward		2,002.8		4,864.8	11,424.0	42,822.6	67,404.1	11,157.1	139,684.9	3	9	15	56	112	20	247

LIST OF PIPES LAID TO DECEMBER 31, 1926—*Continued*

STREETS	DIAMETER AND LENGTH OF PIPE									GATES						Hydrants
	18 in.	16 in.	14 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.	4 in.	Total	16 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.	4 in.	
Brought forward		2,002.8		4,864.8	11,424.0	42,822.6	67,404.1	11,157.1	139,684.9	3	9	15	56	112	20	247
Lewis							930.6		930.6					1		2
Lexington							526.0		526.0					2		1
Lincoln							1,305.0		1,305.0					2		2
Linden							1,101.0		1,101.0					2		2
Manning							2,308.2		2,308.2					4		3
Maple							1,827.0		1,827.0					3		3
Maple Terrace								410.0	410.0						1	
Marked Tree Road							2,412.5		2,412.5					3		4
Marshall							437.5		437.5					1		
May						1,510.5			1,510.5				4			1
Mayo Avenue							1,066.1		1,066.1					2		2
Meadow Road							3,757.2		3,757.2					3		6
Mellen							370.0	367.7	737.7						1	1
Melrose Avenue							729.0		729.0					1		2
Mills Road							88.7	423.9	512.6					1	2	
Morton				2,216.0					2,216.0		3					1
Nehoiden						2,833.0	1,703.5		4,536.5				5	1		8
Norfolk							1,282.6		1,282.6					2		1
Oak							52.8	953.1	1,005.9						3	
Oak Knoll Terrace							381.0		381.0					1		1
Oakland Avenue							1,039.0		1,039.0					2		1
Overlook Road							468.0		468.0					2		1
Parish							624.0		624.0					2		2
Pickering							1,843.0		1,843.0					2		3
Pine Grove							602.0		602.0					2		1

Pinewood Road							1,167.9		1,167.9					2		2
Pleasant							1,141.6		1,141.6					2		2
Prince							1,353.3		1,353.3					2		2
Reservoir							1,724.5		1,724.5					2		3
Rosemary						1,262.0	2,868.0		4,130.0				5	4		11
Sachem Road							1,379.6		1,379.6					2		2
South						16,677.7	493.8		17,171.5				17	4	2	35
Station							755.6		755.6					1		1
Stevens Road							1,118.7		1,118.7					2		2
St. Mary's								497.5	497.5							1
Sunnyside Road							435.1		435.1					1		1
Taylor							403.0		403.0					1		1
Tower							885.9		885.9					5		2
Union							293.7		293.7					1		1
Upham Road								452.7	452.7						2	
Walnut							1,112.8		1,112.8					2		1
Warren						2,624.7	1,732.0		4,356.7				5	4		7
Washington Ave.							2,170.2		2,170.2					3		4
Webster						8,269.5	6,229.9		14,499.4				14	9		24
Wellesley Avenue								1,849.0	1,849.0						1	3
West						1,370.3	1,301.0		2,671.3				4	2		4
Wilshire							866.5		866.5					2		2
Suction pipe	18.0		15.0	1,453.9					1,486.9		6		1			
Hydrant conn.						16.0	2,614.7	67.9	2,698.6					12		
Blow-offs							56.8	119.2	176.0					2	1	
Hicks' Sp. Con.							3,362.3		3,362.3					11		
New Station						209.0			209.0				1			
Totals	18.0	2,002.8	15.0	8,534.7	11,424.0	77,595.3	125,698.5	16,297.2	241,585.5	3	18	15	112	228	32	406
													408			

Total 241,585.5 feet or 45.75 miles

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS
For the Year Ending December 31, 1926

Needham Water Department, Norfolk County, Mass.
Population by census of 1925, 8977.

Date of construction 1890. Owned by the Town of Needham.
Source of supply, wells. Mode of supply, pumping to standpipes.

Pumping

1. Builders of pumping machinery, the George F. Blake Mfg. Co., the Laidlaw-Dunn-Gordon Co., and the Gould's Mfg. Co.
2. Description of fuel used:
   (*a*) Bituminous coal, cost per net ton $7.19.
3. Coal consumed for the year, 664,000 pounds.
4. Total pumping for the year, without allowance for slip of the pumps.
   (*a*) Steam pump, 196,240,000 gallons.
   (*b*) Auxiliary pump, 25,705,000 gallons.
5. Average static head, 242 feet.
6. Average dynamic head, 277 feet.
7. Number of gallons pumped per pound of coal, 295.5.
8. Duty of Laidlow-Dunn-Gordon Pump, 68,275,560 foot pounds.
   Cost of pumping figured on pumping station expenses viz.: $9,046.31.
9. Per million gallons pumped, steam pump, $46.09.
   (*a*) Per million gallons pumped, auxiliary pump, $52.29.
10. Per million gallons raised one foot (dynamic) steam pump, .0166.
    (*a*) Per million gallons raised one foot (dynamic) auxiliary pump, .0188.
    Total cost of pumping figured on total maintenance including interest on bonds, viz.: $27,274.69.
11. Per million gallons pumped, $122.88.
12. Per million gallons raised one foot (dynamic) $.0443.

Consumption

1. Estimated population of the Town, 9,650.
2. Estimated population on lines of pipe, 9,635.
3. Estimated population supplied, 9,635.
4. Total consumption, 221,945,000 gals.
5. Average daily consumption, 608,068 gallons.
6. Gallons per day to each inhabitant, 63.0.
7. Gallons per day to each consumer, 63.1.
8. Gallons registered by meters, 112,690,620.
9. Water for public purposes not metered.

Distribution Mains

1. Kind of pipe, cast iron.
2. Sizes, 4 to 18 inches.
3. Extended during the year, 8,545.3 feet.
4. Total now in use, 45.75 miles.
5. Number of hydrants added during the year, 11.
   (*a*) Discontinued during the year, 1.
6. Number of hydrants now in use; public, 380; private 26; total, 406.
7. Number of stop gates added during the year, 27.
8. Number of stop gates now in use, 408.
9. Range of pressure on mains, 63 to 120 pounds.

Services

10. Kind of pipe, cast, cement-lined, lead-lined, galvanized iron and lead.
11. Sizes, 1-2 inch to 8 inches.
12. Extended during the year, 8,898.9 feet.
    (*a*) Discontinued during the year, 368.9 feet.
13. Total now in use, 42.37 miles.
14. Number of service added during the year, 126.
    (*a*) Discontinued during the year, 1.
15. Number now in use, 2,473.
16. Number used for public purposes, 26.
17. Number of meters now in the department, 2,385.
18. Percentage of services metered (domestic), 100.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. ADAMS,

Superintendent.

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR 1926

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ORGANIZATION AND SCHOOL CALENDAR

School Committee

Harold R. Waining, Chairman, 12 Manson Rd., N.H. (0464-J)
Term Expires—1927
Joseph Satterlee, 16 Mark Lee Rd., N.H. (0082-M)
Term Expires—1927
Warren W. Loomis, 815 Webster St. (0724)
Term Expires—1928
G. Waldo Crawley, 101 May St. (1165)
Term Expires—1928
Dr. J. Walter Schirmer, 865 Great Plain Ave. (0045)
Term Expires—1929
Harry H. Bruns, 61 Kingsbury St. (0173-W)
Term Expires—1929

Meetings

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7.30 o'clock in the School Committee rooms on Chapel St.

Superintendent of Schools and Secretary of the School Committee

John C. Davis

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Clerk

Gertrude E. Hamilton, Linden St. Tel. 0737-W

School Physicians

Dr. William Mitchell, 511 Highland Ave., N. H. Tel. 0100
Dr. C. L. MacGray, 1088 Great Plain Ave. Tel. 0146

School Nurse

Ruth V. Carlson Norwood 0464-J

Attendance Officer

A. J. Mathey, Residence, 94 Warren St. Tel. 0073-M

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1926-1927

High

Fall term	Sept. 8 to	Dec. 22	16 weeks
Winter term	Jan. 3 to	Feb. 18	7 weeks
Spring term	Feb. 28 to	Apr. 14	7 weeks
Summer term	Apr. 25 to	June 24	9 weeks
			39 weeks

Elementary

Fall term	Sept. 8 to	Dec. 22	16 weeks
Winter term	Jan. 3 to	Feb. 18	7 weeks
Spring term	Feb. 28 to	Apr. 14	7 weeks
Summer term	Apr. 25 to	June 17	8 weeks
			38 weeks

No School Days: Oct. 11 Monday, preceding Columbus Day
Oct. 12 Columbus Day.
Oct. 29 Norfolk County Convention.
Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Day.
Nov. 26 Friday following Thanksgiving.
Apr. 15 Good Friday.
May 30 Memorial Day.
June 17 Bunker Hill Day.

1927-1928

Fall term ..... Sept. 7 to Dec. 21
Winter term ..... Jan 3, 1928
No School Signal 22–22–22, at 7.30 a.m. and 12.45 p.m.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Needham:

The most important problem confronting the committee at this time is the housing of our school children. Our building program in the past has taken care of this problem only for a short period of time, and we are again faced with a shortage of school rooms for the coming school year.

Our Superintendent's report deals with this situation very thoroughly and should be given special attention.

Another matter that should be carefully considered at this time is the purchase of more land for school purposes in Needhamdale. This section of the Town is developing so rapidly that it will only be a short time before a new school building will be needed there. Land in addition to what we already have, should be purchased by the Town before it has been developed any more.

We take this opportunity to thank the public in general for the help and co-operation given the committee the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. WAINING, *Chairman*,
JOSEPH SATTERLEE,
WARREN W. LOOMIS,
G. WALDO CRAWLEY,
J. WALTER SCHIRMER,
HARRY H. BRUNS,
Needham School Committee.

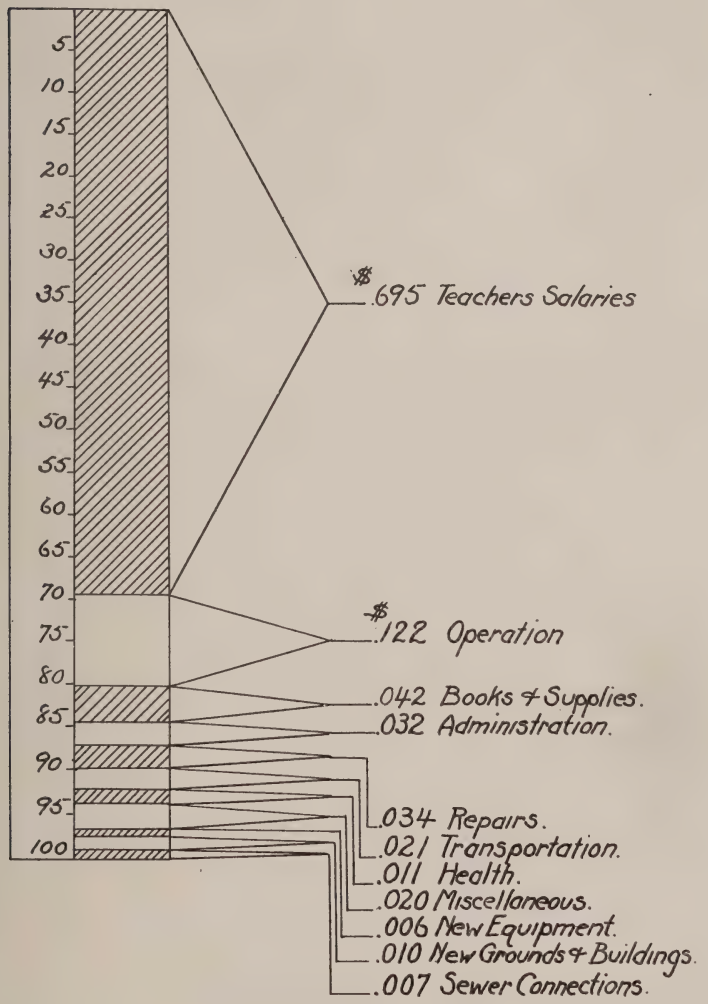
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Expenditures in 1926

General Expenses		
School Committee Salaries		
Other Expenses	$1,399 87	
Supt. of Schools & Enforcement of Law	4,116 68	
Other Expenses	314 22	
		$5,830 77
Expenses of Instruction		
Supervisors' Salaries	$5,030 00	
Principals, High	3,230 97	
Principals, Elementary	13,198 00	
Teachers, High	32,543 86	
Teachers, Elementary	70,746 75	
Text Books, High	857 12	
Text Books, Elementary	1,638 64	
Stationery and Miscellaneous Supplies, High	1,463 96	
Stationery and Miscellaneous Supplies, Elementary	3,530 60	
		132,239 90
Expenses of Operating School Plant		
Wages of Janitors, High	$3,151 04	
Wages of Janitors, Elementary	8,105 38	
Fuel, High	1,297 11	
Fuel, Elementary	7,066 21	
Miscellaneous, High	261 24	
Miscellaneous, Elementary	2,022 73	
		21,903 71
Expenses of Maintenance of School Plant		
Repairs, High	$669 59	
Repairs, Elementary	5,515 01	
		6,184 60
Auxiliary Agencies		
Health	$1,975 13	
Transportation	3,749 30	
		5,724 43
Miscellaneous Expenses		
Tuition	$470 00	
Sundries	3,152 25	
		3,622 25
Carried forward		$175,505 66

Brought forward		$175,505 66
Outlays		
New Grounds and Buildings	$1,784 77	
New Equipment	1,066 91	
		2,851 68
Other Payments		
Vocational Education	$32 50	
Sewer Connections	1,279 23	
		1,311 73
		$179,669 07
Receipts		
Tution	$1,044 36	
City and State Wards	273 98	
Miscellaneous	274 47	
Mass. School Fund	14,790 00	
Smith-Hughes Fund	45 05	
Americanization	91 13	
Dwight School Fund	210 00	
		16,728 99
		$162,940 08
Balance Unexpended		24 93
Net Cost, Local Taxation		$162,915 15

HOW THE SCHOOL DOLLAR WAS EXPENDED 1926



REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of Needham:

I am submitting for your consideration my sixth annual report as Superintendent of Schools. I believe that the year just passed has been one of satisfactory progress; the standard of teaching service has been improved, the curriculum is being revised, an excellent physical education program is in operation in all our schools, particular attention is paid to the ventilation and temperature of our school rooms, and the health of school children is given careful attention by the school physicians and school nurse.

In addition to a brief mention of some of the things that have been accomplished during the year this report contains several recommendations, the most important being the recommendation for further construction work, to take care of the increased number of pupils. The most serious problem before you for consideration is that of providing school rooms for our boys and girls. I have tried to present it in all its aspects. It deserves careful study and to it I invite your careful attention, and the attention of the citizens of the Town.

Membership

The following table shows the number attending the different schools in Needham from 1919 to 1927 inclusive:

	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926
High	186	222	262	310	320	391	433	417
Old High						185	229	235
Kimball	244	307	321	320	352	265	292	287
Carter				286	319	335	333	369
Avery	150	163	170	136	138	155	194	192
Stephen Palmer	390	370	343	377	428	354	337	371
Eliot	123	143	148	154	141	142	147	136
Dwight	68	74	71	76	74	68	66	50
Harris	52	47	58	72	56	52	43	62
Riverside	35	39	47	45	47	40	45	41
Parker			20	17	20	16	12	14
	1472	1591	1682	1793	1895	2003	2131	2174

While the population of Needham increased 79% from 1910 to 1925, the school population increased 120%. This condition is not peculiar to Needham alone for in practically all Massachusetts towns more children are attending school, and they stay in school for a longer period than ever before.

School opened in September with 61 pupils in Grade I, in one room at the Avery School, and 54 in Grade II which we were compelled to put into one room. It was also necessary to seat one of the seventh grades in the William Carter School hall. We tried having the first grade attend on half time but this plan was so unsatisfactory to the parents that the portable building on the Glover Hospital grounds was moved to the rear of the Avery School building and is now used for both divisions of the kindergarten. This enables us to use the kindergarten room for one division of the first grade, and we have employed an assistant in the second grade room where there are 54 pupils registered.

The use of the old High School building for the seventh and eighth grades relieves overcrowding at the Kimball and Stephen Palmer Schools but does not help the situation any at the Carter and Avery buildings.

Construction Needed

School planning in recent years has properly emphasized statistics rather than sentiment in choosing school sites. Much larger acreage is now considered necessary for all communities as the result of a new educational viewpoint. The gymnasium and play space are now not only for the athletic but for all the pupils, and every school site should be large enough for a program of directed outdoor play for all the pupils. School sites should be secured before land is developed and high in price, even though mistakes are made and the same sites sold again. This has proved to be much more economical in the long run than to secure sites after the land is developed and prices are much higher.

We have reached the point in our development where it is necessary to plan for further construction and while some may not agree with our ideas, the voters are entitled to a statement of the conditions as seen by their employees.

But before further construction of school buildings is undertaken it should be determined whether the town is to conduct its schools upon the 6–2–4 plan, or the 6–3–3 plan. There is not room for discussion of these two plans in this report, but I believe that it would be in accord with the best educational procedure to decide at this time in favor of the 6–3–3 plan; six years for the elementary schools, three for the Junior High, and three for the Senior High.

For us, locally, it means bringing the seventh and eighth grades of the William Carter and the old High Schools together as one unit of school administration. Construction must be undertaken, if our pupils are to be provided for. I believe that the next logical step is:

To acquire land in a new location and build a Junior High School to accommodate all the seventh and eighth grades

and the first year High School pupils from all parts of the Town.

The building should be large enough to accommodate 650 pupils, 500 of whom would be ready to enter it the day of its probable opening, September 1, 1928. By removing the Freshman class from the new High School, the building would be adequate for about four years longer than it would be otherwise.

To build an addition to any of our present buildings would, of course, furnish additional seating capacity but it would be but a temporary arrangement and probably more expensive in the end.

The next step in construction will determine the educational policy for some time and should be considered with great care, that the best organization may be accomplished that the seventh and eight grade pupils from both ends of the Town may have the same advantages of enriched curriculum, and that there may be no financial waste from unnecessary duplications.

Small school units are neither educationally nor economically efficient and unless there is too severe a hardship in the matter of travel, our elementary school units should be decreased rather than increased in number. Elementary buildings less than a mile apart mean higher costs and lower efficiency.

I hope the Kimball building will some time be abandoned and the property used by the Town for other than school purposes; the pupils should be housed by another building on Greene's Field, or, if practicable, by an addition to the Stephen Palmer building under one roof, with one heating plant and where there is sufficient play area.

Teachers

Changes in the teaching force and additions to it are indicated in the table below. While the total number of changes is about the same as the previous year, the number of changes in the High School staff is larger than the previous year.

RESIGNATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS

Resignations January 1, 1926—January 1, 1927

School	Name	Date
High	Robert A. Frazier	June 1926
High	Bernice L. Caswell	June 1926
High	Eva M. Piercy	June 1926
High	May Springfield	June 1926
High	Helen R. Parker	June 1926
High	Carolyn E. Tarbell	June 1926
Jr. High	Florence S. Covell	June 1926
Kimball	Kathleen M. Wales	June 1926
Kimball	Margaret M. Peters	June 1926
Eliot	Amy O. Johnson	Aug. 1926
Parker	Alice M. Bartlett	June 1926

Appointments

School	Name	Date 1926	Where Educated
High	*Herbert C. Dimlich	Sept.	Boston University
High	Anna P. Fessenden	Sept.	Smith College
High	Helen B. Leavitt	Sept.	Brown University
High	*Louise L. Steele	Sept.	Colby College
High	Charles E. Benton	Sept.	Harvard University
High	Ruth C. Harrington	Sept.	Boston University
High	Mildred C. Fraser	Sept.	Smith College
High	Margaret F. Wood	Sept.	Sargent's School
Kimball	Alice E. Chase	Sept.	Framingham Normal
Wm. Carter	*Katherine A. Pratt	Sept.	Bridgewater Normal
Wm. Carter	Nina A. Hopkins	Sept.	Bridgewater Normal
Avery	*Ruth E. Cushman	Sept.	Perry K. T. School
Eliot	Margaret T. Winters	Sept.	Wheelock K. T. School
Harris	Dene Rowe	Sept.	Framingham Normal
Parker	Ruth E. Smith	Sept.	Wheelock K. T. School

Transfers

Name	Date	Schools
A. Adeline Moulton	Sept. 1926	Wm. Carter to Jr. High
Gladys Johnson	Sept. 1926	Harris to Kimball

The total number of supervisors, principals, and teachers, not including the Superintendent, is seventy-nine, an increase of four over January of last year. This is a smaller number in comparison with the school membership than is found in many towns. Out of every school dollar over sixty-nine cents is expended for teachers' salaries. The present maximum salary in Needham is $1,550, 1st to 6th grades inclusive; seventh and eighth grades, $1,650; and High School $1,800. In some of our surrounding towns and cities it is as follows:

	Elementary	Jr. High	Sr. High
Boston	$2304	$2400	$2976
Brookline	1950	2000	2700
Newton	1800	2200	2400
Wellesley	1700	1900	2200
Dedham	1600	1700	1900
Norwood	1600	1700	1800

From 1909 to 1926 the number of teachers has increased 80% and the number of pupils 95.1%. Thus it is plain that the number of our teachers in proportion to the school membership is not larger than it should be; that our salaries are not comparatively large, and that the major part of our appropriation goes for teachers' salaries.

Upon the teacher more than upon anyone else depends the school, and it is important that she should work under as good conditions as possible as to health, ventilation, and sanitation, and that she should have the cordial support of her

*Additions to the Staff.

superiors and the parents of her pupils. We are receiving excellent service from our teachers, they are working under good conditions, and the parents are co-operating with the teachers for the best interests of their children.

A large number of our teachers are taking professional courses and studying progressive educational methods. A group of teachers has been making a study of Arithmetic in our elementary grades, with special attention to the textbooks used. Studies of the other subjects in the curriculum will be taken up from time to time.

Transportation

Transportation continues to be a troublesome matter and a more costly one from year to year. Parents are requesting transportation for their children not only on account of distance but on account of the feeling that it is not safe for children to walk upon the roads to and from school. I am sure their attitude is justified. The problem is a very serious one and not by any means wholly under the control of the School Department. Only by co-operation of all the departments and agencies concerned can the best results be secured. The number of children killed or maimed upon the streets in our Commonwealth is appalling, and while Needham has been fortunate in this respect, there should be no relaxation of all efforts to protect our children from injury. Several places upon our streets seems to be particularly dangerous due to lack of sidewalks, and the School Committee has already called the attention of the Selectmen to some of these places in the hope that some remedy will be planned at the annual Town Meeting.

The construction of a sidewalk from Preston Mitchell's house to the corner of Webster street as well as on the east side of Chestnut Street from Cottage Street under the Railroad bridge is much needed from the standpoint of safety, and the Selectmen have been asked to provide for this in their annual budget.

Fences have been constructed around part of Greene's Field and the Kimball School playground. These help to prevent children from suddenly running out upon an automobile thoroughfare after a baseball or football. It is the duty of those charged with the administration of the Town's schools to do all in their power to safeguard the children in the school yards and while going to and from school. I am sure that this policy will receive the approval of the parents of Needham.

School Libraries

No attempt has been or should be made to duplicate any part of the functions of the Public Library. The librarian

and the teachers are working in cordial co-operation, thereby making the library books of much greater benefit to our schools.

Some reference books needed for constant daily use should be purchased for the High School and upper grammar grades. A small amount for this purpose has been provided for in the school budget.

Repairs

Repairs were made as usual during the summer vacation. The following are the most important of the list:

Greene's Field—Levelled and improved and a fence built.
Harris School—Painted outside and tinted inside.
Stephen Palmer. Painted outside.
Junior High—Fence built on south boundary line.
Avery—Basement whitewashed.
High—Seats installed on the bleachers.
Kimball—Foundation repaired and fence built.

Two of our school buildings should be painted and the interiors tinted this year and the old furnaces at the Eliot School should be replaced by a modern steam plant similar to the one at the Avery School.

The custom in Needham of a sub-committee of the Finance Committee visiting all the school buildings in company with the School Committee I believe to be a good one. It gives the Finance Committee first hand information concerning the needs of the buildings and gives the School Committee the benefit of suggestions and advice that would not otherwise be available.

An effort is being made to keep our buildings clean and sanitary and in such general good condition that it will be an incentive to good work on the part of both teachers and pupils.

Education Week

This year six hundred and sixteen parents visited our schools during Education Week. I wish more of the parents would visit school and visit oftener. Only by the most complete co-operation between parents and teachers can the best results be obtained.

Parent-Teacher Organization

The Parent-Teacher organization is presenting this year a most interesting program. The first two meetings have been well attended and the organization is accomplishing much good by having subjects of school interest presented by able speakers.

Program

"The object of this association shall be to foster a closer sympathy and co-operation between the home and the school in the Town of Needham; and to promote the educational and social welfare of the community."

Thursday Evening, October 21:
Mrs. Muriel Hudnut Frizzell, Speaker; Educational Secretary—Florence Crittenton League. Topic: "Law Enforcement."
Short talk by Mrs. Hollis Webster, of Lexington, on "Girl Scouting."
Half-hour Forum—Special Music—Refreshments.

Thursday Evening, December 16:
Mr. Payson Smith, Commissioner of Education of Massachusetts. Topic: "Religious Education."
Half-hour Forum—Special Music—Refreshments.

Thursday Evening, February 17:
Mrs. Helen Talboy, Staff Speaker—League of Nations Non-Partisan Association. Topic: "An Adventure in Intelligence."
Half-hour Forum—Special Music—Refreshments.

Thursday Evening, April 21:
School Night—Short talks by our own school leaders—Gymnasium Drill.
High School Orchestra—Refreshments.

Officers

President	Arthur H. Birkett
1st Vice-President	Miss Mary E. Glancy
2nd Vice-President	Dr. Chas. W. Pease
Secretary	Mrs. Thomas H. Peters
Treasurer	Mrs. Raymond A. Gillette
Assistant Treasurer	Dr. Doris Kraus

Executive Committee

Mrs. Harrie I. Brett	Thomas H. Peters
Mrs. Edwin W. Childs	Mrs. Lincoln P. Rice
Gilman H. Campbell	Mrs. Irvine Ross
John C. Davis	Mrs. Harold Rowlands
Miss Florence E. Eaton	Dr. J. Walter Schirmer
Mrs. Frank Gordon	Mrs. Evan C. Thorpe
Robert P. Joy	S. Payson Waldron
Mrs. R. H. Kimball	Mrs. H. G. Whittredge
Alvin T. Parker	

Auditor—Francis J. Stanwood

Scholarship Fund Committee

Ex-Officio:

John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools.
Gilman H. Campbell, Principal High School.
Arthur H. Birkett, President Parent-Teacher Association.
Mrs. Harry M. Lyman, President New Century Club.
James H. Whetton, by election from Parent-Teacher Association.

Publicity Committee

Mrs. Thomas H. Peters, *Chairman*

Entertainment Committee

Mrs. C. M. Foss

Hospitality Committee

Mrs. Ralph P. Preble, *Chairman*

Membership Committee

Mr. H. H. Bruns, *Chairman*

Attending Newton Vocational School

Walter Binns	Electric Department
Mato Giumetti	Machine Department
Albert Gooding	Electric Department
Randolph Gooding	Pattern Department
Robert McBurnie	Auto Repair Department
Anton Pandolph	Auto Repair Department
Albert Pezella	Electric Department
Roy Trecartin	Printing Department

Evening Vocational

Kenneth Stata

Boston Trade School

Lillian Coombs

School Savings

During the year 1926 there has been deposited in the Needham Trust Company by the school children $1,249.19. Since the system was started $9,367.15.

Acknowledgments

Acknowledgment is hereby made:

To the New Century Club for its gift of reference books to the High School.

To Mrs. J. G. A. Carter for her gift of a complete set of Audubon Bird Charts to the William Carter School.

To the Needham Grange for its reception to the teachers.

Let me again express my appreciation for the continued support that has been accorded me by the members of the School Committee. The good work done by our teachers is in a large measure due to the harmonious relationship existing between your Board and its employees.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. DAVIS,

Superintendent.

SCHOOL BUDGET, 1927

Administration Expenses:			
Salaries:			
Superintendent and Attendance Officer	$4,250		
Janitor	95		
Clerk	1,034		
Rent, School Committee rooms, Expenses—coal, printing, traveling, telephone	975		
		$6,354	
Expenses of Instruction:			
Salaries			
Supervisors	$6,225		
Principals	10,100		
Teachers, High	34,050		
Teachers, Elementary	81,020		
Teachers, Evening	500		
		131,895	
Text Books	$4,000		
Supplies	5,000		
		9,000	
Expenses of Operating School Plant:			
Janitors' wages	$10,886		
Fuel	9,000		
Janitors' supplies and miscellaneous	3,300		
		23,186	
Maintenance of School Plant:			
Repairs	$6,000		
New Equipment	2,000		
Eliot School Heater	5,300		
Upkeep of grounds	1,000		
		14,300	
Auxiliary Agencies:			
Libraries	$200		
Health Expenses:			
Nurse	1,500		
Physicians	750		
Supplies	50		
Transportation, nurse	150		
Transportation, general	3,800		
		6,450	
Miscellaneous Expenses:			
Sundries	$1,500		
Tuition	500		
Vocational	400		
		2,400	
Total			$193,585
Less Estimated Receipts:			
Dwight School Fund	$210		
Other receipts, including Mass. School Fund	16,790		
			17,000
Net Cost to Town			$176,585

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools,
Needham, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit the annual report of the Needham High School.

In the class of 1926, the following pupils were graduated:

Name	Present Occupation
Clarissa Ruth Adams	At Home
Stella Elizabeth Barkutis	Office, Wm. Carter Co.
Ida M. Boyd	Office, Liberty Mutual Ins. Co., Boston
Ruth Burgess	Office, Wm. Carter Co.
Allen S. Butler	Boston University
Josephine Mary Carlone	With Dailey Box Co.
Arnold Childs	Mass. Institute Tech.
Dorothy M. Cookson	Boston University
Vivien M. Davidson	Boston University
Ruth Elenore Davis	Post Graduate
Lucien W. Dean	Mass. Agricultural College
Lawrence J. Devine	Tufts
Mary Alice Donahue	Post Graduate
Murray Eugene Fairweather	Office Wm. Carter Co.
Elmer William Ferson	Miller Rose Co.
Kathryn M. Gilfoil	Burdett College
Elizabeth L. Gillespie	Office, Needham Sewage Dept.
Catherine Groves	Middlebury College
Theodore Gunaris	Office, Wm. Carter Co.
Clarence E. Hammond	Mass. Agricultural College
Mildred Evelyn Hansen	Posse School
John F. Harkins	With Adams Bros., Needham
Constance Jocelyn Healey	At Chronicle Office
Elinor R. Hollis	Needham Public Library
Eleanor Jarvis	Wellesley College
Mildred Louise Joy	Boston University
Violet Ruth Killam	Nurses' Tr. School, Mass. Hom. Hosp.
Elizabeth Oliver Kimball	Burdett College
Alice Holmes Kingsbury	Emerson School
Blanche Elizabeth Knowles	Office, Gamewell Co.
George Walter MacKenzie	Atlantic Union College
Ruth M. Mahaffy	Nurses' Training School
Frank Milton Marshall	Colby College
William F. Mitchell	Newhampton Litt. Institute
Donald Haskell Mitchell	Tufts
Etta Morris	Office, Q-P Signal Co.
Lars Alexander Nelson	Bryant & Stratton
Ruth Louise Newcomb	Boston University
Winthrop Newcomb	With Needham Trust Co.
Ruth Pauline Norcross	Skidmore College

Name	Present Occupation
Horace Brastow Preble	Mass. Institute Tech.
Evelyn Murray Queen	Nurses' Tr. School, Newton Hosp.
Sherburne Stone Rand	Geo. Washington University
Howard A. Roberts	At Needham Heights R. R. Station
Everett Dillon Roper	With Hotel Kenmore
Dorothy F. Rosenblat	At Home
Irvine E. Ross, Jr.	Mass. Institute of Tech.
Edward Francis Scott	At Home
Elsie Mae Scotton	Office, Q-P Signal Co
Russell Seaver	Stone School
Margaret B. Seymour	Boston University
Daniel James Shine	With Needham Public Market
Benjamin Simon	At Home
Raymond Francis Smith	Mass. Agricultural College
Winthrop Grant Smith	Mass. Agricultural College
Winthrop Morton Southworth, Jr.	Brown University
Oscar Allan Starkweather	Mass. Agricultural College
Kenneth E. Stata	Carpenter
Marion F. Stevens	Jackson College
Esther Sutton	Boston University
Virginia E. Tinker	Boston University Art School
Katherine S. Voorhees	New England Conservatory
Everett F. Waining	Norwich University
Ruth Isabelle Warburton	At Home
Blanche Marie Whelan	Miss Wheelock's School
Joseph D. Whelan	At Home
*James Arthur Whetton	Mass. Nautical School
Olive Woodruff	Office Assistant
Margaret Sibley Woods	Framingham Normal School

The total enrollment of the school to date is 414, divided as follows: Post-Graduates, 3; Seniors, 66; Juniors, 114; Sophomores, 112; Freshmen, 119. The total enrollment to the corresponding date last year was 431. Last year at this time 16 had left school, and this year 17 have withdrawn so that the actual present membership shows 397 for 1926–27 as compared with 415 for 1925–26.

Of the 17 who have left school, 3 have moved out of town and the other 14 have gone to work.

Of the 130 graduates of last year's eighth grade, 110 entered Needham High School; 5 moved away; 5 entered other schools; 9 went to work and 1 took another year in the Junior High.

For the first time in a number of years the school shows a slight decline in membership rather than an increase. This can be attributed partly to a slightly smaller graduating class

*Granted diploma as a member of the class of 1926 by vote of the school committee on the basis of satisfactory work in the Nautical School from April to September, 1926.

from the eighth grade and partly to a smaller number of new pupils coming into the Town than we have had for the past few years. As this year's eighth grade is considerably above normal size, the upward trend will be resumed next fall.

During the past year, we have also had a large number of teacher changes than has been the case for several years. Six teachers left last June, two to accept other positions, two to continue professional study, and two to take up other work. In addition, two teachers were added to the faculty to enable us to group certain classes in smaller sections and to give more individual attention to the pupils so that we have in all a total of eight new members on our staff. While we regret the loss of some very capable and hardworking teachers we believe that the school has been extremely fortunate in those chosen to fill all these vacancies and that it can now give better service to its pupils than was the case with a smaller staff. Another change made last spring was the definite recognition of a head of the English department. Miss Caswell has been replaced by Miss Fraser, but the advantages of definite organization of the English teachers is no less clearly apparent. Similar action in other departments will be advisable as the school grows in size, with some general policy such as choosing a head of a department when four teachers are needed for its work.

Physically, the greatest improvement in the school comes from installing on the bleachers the seats given by Mr. David Murdock. Refinished and solidly fastened to the concrete, these seats meet our needs exactly and add much to the appearance of the hall. Tinting the walls in the lunch room and kitchen made these rooms much more attractive, and gave an indication of the improvement to be expected when this treatment can be extended to the class rooms. The wretched condition of the concrete floors in the corridors has already received your attention and we hope means can be found to remedy this serious defect. The artificial stone over the front entrance, and on many of the window sills needs repointing, and I believe it will be real economy to put metal weather strips on the windows of two or three of the rooms most exposed. Our heating system has been considerably improved by the changes made in it since it was installed, and it is now giving the best service we have received, but it still needs added protection in some of our westerly rooms.

In athletics, we are carrying on a greatly expanded program. In addition to our regular class work, the school is now supporting teams in football, basketball, ice hockey, track and baseball for the boys and in field hockey, basketball, and baseball for the girls.

The particularly gratifying feature of this program is the emphasis constantly placed on general participation rather

than on intensive skill developed by a very limited group. Thus, in the girls' sports, we had class teams, room teams, and a very limited number of interscholastic games. In the boys' sports, the same ends are sought by organizing second team schedules and by a broad policy of group training resulting, for instance, in a squad of nearly 50 candidates for the present basketball teams. It would, of course, have been impossible to have carried on such an extensive program without rather unusual facilities. Our own grounds serve excellently for ice hockey and for girls' baseball; Greene's Field, as leveled and improved from year to year, particularly at its southern end, has given us very satisfactory accommodations for football; and the Memorial Park trustees have very courteously given us the facilities of the Park for our other outdoor sports. There is, however, one unsatisfactory feature of this work. It is impossible to carry on such a program as we have without a considerable expense. Last year, for instance, we spent approximately $1,725 to equip our teams and pay the expenses of the games. Basketball alone represented a money loss of over $200. Practically all our income has to come from football as this is the only sport which can be depended upon year after year to show a substantial profit. Track, for instance, on the other hand, always represents a considerable expense with little financial return in the way of gate receipts, but the wide opportunity its activities offer all types of boys and the unquestioned benefit it gives them renders it extremely desirable to expand this part of our program rather than to curtail it. For the future, we shall have to spend more money year after year because we want and believe we ought to have more pupils participate in athletics and that those who do should be under constantly improved conditions. There are only two ways for meeting this need. Milton includes in its school budget a definite item for such expenses, and consequently its athletic program does not feel the slightest dependence on the possible gate receipts. A few other neighboring towns have taken some steps in the same direction. This method of dealing with finances has very much to commend it to a progressive community. The other plan, of financing from gate receipts on permanently enclosed field as in Belmont, Norwood, Framingham, Watertown, and many other nearby communities, is, however, much more widely accepted and has the merit of collecting costs from the individuals most interested. Whichever plan appeals to the people of Needham, it is undoubtedly evident that one or the other of these solutions must eventually be adopted.

One important step in the wider use of the school building has been the opening of the domestic science rooms for the use of the junior high pupils. Similar arrangements just com-

pleted also bring these smaller pupils into the gymnasium once a week. Until such time as the junior high pupils can have a properly equipped central building of their own, we hope the policy of bringing them into the special rooms of the high school may be continued as far as possible.

The most pressing need of the school continues to be an adequate supply of reference books. For a school of this size to have no complete, modern encyclopedia whatever, is not a situation which ought to continue. The New Century Club gave us a very welcome check that was used for reference books in history and economics. The class of 1926 made its gift to the school in the form of a fund to be used for a similar purpose, but with the wish that rather than being expended at once it should be largely retained as a nucleus for other gifts for the same purpose. These gifts are very acceptable, but we believe the more essential books like any other texts, ought to come from public funds and not from private contributions. I hope it will be possible to begin on this program during the present year.

In conclusion, please accept my appreciation of your interest and that of the School Committee in our high school problems. I remain

Yours respectfully,

GILMAN H. CAMPBELL,

December 22, 1927. *Principal.*

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF EVENING SCHOOL

January 1, 1927.

Mr. John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools,
Needham, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: The Evening School opened at the William Carter School on October 18th. The total enrollment is eighty-one, an increase of more than 100% over the preceding year. This shows that the people of Needham appreciate the educational opportunities which this Town offers.

We have classes organized in citizenship, bookkeeping, elementary school subjects, and dressmaking.

The class in citizenship training is under the expert guidance of Miss Mary Glancy, and is making excellent progress. Two young men have already taken out first papers, three more will take out first papers very soon, and several others will soon receive full citizenship papers. It seems that with the limited number of immigrants allowed into our country, those who are fortunate enough to make their home here, appreciate the privilege and are anxious to become citizens.

It has been necessary to form two classes in bookkeeping on account of the large number of applicants for this course. Miss Gates has charge of the beginners and Miss Matheson of the advanced group.

Six diplomas were granted at the close of the last year to pupils who had successfully completed the elementary school subjects. Four of this number are now enrolled in bookkeeping.

The dressmaking class under the direction of Miss Gately is proving to be a very popular and worthwhile course. The number enrolled is limited to twenty, and we have several on the waiting list, should anyone drop out.

There have been a large number of applications for stenography and we should make definite plans to offer such a course. I would recommend that the Evening School open the first of October and continue until the last of February, and that a registration fee of one dollar be charged for each course, which would be returnable at the close of the season to all who had maintained a satisfactory record of attendance.

In closing I wish to thank the School Department and all others who have made the Evening School a success.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS H. PETERS, *Principal.*

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr. John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools,
Needham, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit the report of the Physical Education Department for the year 1926:

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

The programs of 1925, which included marching, gymnastics, apparatus games and athletics, both interclass and interschool, have had the same time allotment and aim in 1926.

Every boy, unless excused by a doctor, has had two hours weekly in field or gymnasium instruction followed by a shower bath.

The final Motor Efficiency Tests taken at the close of the winter term showed that 82% had improved in the larger muscle activity. School records were broken in four events.

The competitive interschool athletics have continued with good interest and increased squads. Baseball and track last spring carried squads of twenty-two and twenty-eight.

Football started with a squad of forty-three but gradually dwindled to eighteen. Basketball brought out a squad of forty, and hockey, thirty-one.

Everyone is encouraged to come out for some team and no one is ever dropped from a team because of athletic inability. The squads are for everyone to learn as much as possible, not for just eleven or nine.

Much more could be accomplished in the way of interclass and intramural games if more instructors and equipment could be had.

Thus far the Athletic Association with football as the only sport showing a profit has had to take care of not only the deficits in other sports, but for equipment used in all the physical education programs.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

The time allotment for the usual marching, calisthenics, apparatus and dancing was the same in 1926 as in previous years. In addition during the fall field hockey was taught during class periods as is basketball at the present time, that everyone might have the fundamental knowledge of the games.

During the fall, field hockey was the after-school activity.

Approximately 108 played on room teams and class hockey teams during the fall. At the close of the season a team was picked from the group to represent the school in outside games.

Basketball is being carried on under the same scheme and 73 are taking regular instruction out of school time, the aim being athletics for all who care to put in extra time during the afternoon. The above method is planned to avoid over-training and the high nervous strain that comes from a schedule of games and stressing a winning team at any cost.

GRADE SCHOOL

All the grades have supervision in Physical Education, this year each grade being visited at least every other week, most of them every week. The supervisor has from fifteen to twenty minutes in each room, each visit below the sixth grades. In the seventh and eighth grades the time is from forty to sixty minutes once a week. Instruction is given in gymnastics, folk-dancing and games, and suggestions given to the room teachers who carry on the work the other days in the week.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER K. DELANO,

Physical Director.

REPORT OF TEACHER OF MANUAL TRAINING

January 7, 1927.

Mr. John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools,
Needham, Mass.

Dear Sir: I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Manual Training Department.

The main objectives of this department are as follows:

To build up character.
To teach habits of industry.
To train the hand to co-ordinate with the brain.
To present practical work for the motor-minded pupil.
To enable the boy to express his constructive instincts.
To teach a boy how to attack a problem and carry it through to a successful solution.
To afford an opportunity to show the pupil the great importance of correlated academic subjects.
To teach the boy the use and care of the more important hand tools.

These needs have been successfully met by the School Department in equipping two excellent rooms; one in the rear of the William Carter School, the other in the High School.

Each of these rooms is equipped with twenty work benches and a sufficient number of hand tools to complete any simple, practical projects of construction.

The Manual Training room at the High School has also four modern wood-working machines, namely: A circular saw, a band saw, a lathe and a buzz-planer, these machines being properly safeguarded according to the laws of the State.

At present this course in Manual Arts consists merely of woodworking and mechanical drawing, but it is hoped that other activities, such as sheet-metal work or printing, may soon be added.

Manual Arts is a compulsory subject in the seventh and eighth grades; while in High School it is an elective, open to any boy for two years.

In the seventh and eighth grades each boy spends from one to one and one-half hours per week in the shop. Approximately one-fourth of this time is devoted to mechanical drawing, each boy drawing a plan of the object about to be made. This drafting is, in some cases, all the boys ever receive. Some work in shop mathematics is introduced in these grades. The remainder of the time is spent in actual woodworking and in care of the tools.

In the High School each boy electing this course has six hours per week in the shop and two hours in mechanical drawing; the drawing being done under the direction of Miss Russell, drawing supervisor.

The High School students have an excellent opportunity for making necessary, useful articles of furniture for the home. Some excellent pieces of work have been turned out by these boys as was readily seen by all who attended the exhibit held in the High School Auditorium in May, 1926. Here on display were oak library tables, a mahogany davenport table, table lamps, and many other articles all of good, solid construction and well finished. This exhibit showed clearly the progress of steps from a small, plain block of wood made by a beginner in grade seven to the library tables, etc., made by a High School boy completing the course.

It is expected that each High School boy will utilize one-half of his allotted time in work other than his own. This time is used for construction and repair of furniture for the School Department.

Manual Arts embraces a wide variety of activities, for example, plans are now being made to repair a barn on the Fisher lot so that it will be available for the storage of playground apparatus. This building stands at the rear of the Avery School. It will need to be shingled and the roof partly reboarded in addition to other minor repairs.

The knowledge which the boys gain from this project alone should be very beneficial to them.

As the majority of our future citizens must work with their hands, and as most men in every walk of life have occasion to use knowledge gathered in a course of this kind, it is evident that industrial training is necessary in the schools.

It is my earnest wish that an even better department may be developed to further train the mind and hand of the pupil, and it is toward this end that we must now work.

In conclusion, I desire to express my thanks to you, the School Committee, and the people of Needham for their co-operation in assisting the department in many ways.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED H. JOHNSON,

Teacher of Manual Training.

REPORT OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE TEACHER

January 1, 1927.

To Mr. John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools,

Needham, Mass.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit a report of the Needham High School Lunch Room for the year 1926.

The system of planning and serving is carried on in the Lunch Room about the same each year. The proceeds vary slightly as it is a self-supporting cafeteria. The service of

one woman daily, as well as the co-operation of eight to ten students, is required for the preparation, serving, and completion of the daily menu. All students assisting in the lunch room receive for their services a lunch ticket. In planning the menus so as to sell all of the food prepared, the students are often called upon to substitute one food for another. In that way we seldom have any food left over and no waste of materials, which is an essential if the lunch room is to be a success financially.

Our aim is to run the lunch room for the welfare of the students and serve to them wholesome, appetizing and nutritious foods at a low cost.

The menu consists of: soups, hot dishes, salads, vegetables, sandwiches, cocoa, milk, fresh fruits, ice cream and a simple dessert. In planning the menu care is taken to obtain as much variety as is possible when charging not over ten cents for the main dish. Foods of good quality are purchased at wholesale prices. The home lunch which the pupils bring to school consists chiefly of sandwiches and is supplemented by purchasing hot soups, or milk at the lunch counter.

The following are two menus taken from the bulletin board with prices:

Menu I

Fish Chowder	$.05
Vegetable Plate—Consisting of Sliced Beets, Mashed Potato, Peas	.10
Pineapple and Cream Cheese Salad	.10
Lettuce Sandwich	.05
Current and Apple Jelly Sandwich	.05
Cocoa	.05
Coffee (for teachers only)	.05
Milk	.05
Ice Cream	.10
Chocolate Bread Pudding and Cream	.05

Menu II

Vegetable Soup	$.05
Meat Loaf—Creamed Diced Carrots	.10
Crab Meat and Celery Salad	.10
Cream Cheese and Olive Sandwich	.05
Marmalade and Nut Sandwich	.05
Cocoa	.05
Coffee (for teachers only)	.05
Milk	.05
Ice Cream	.10
Fruit Gelatine and Cream	.05

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE DUDLEY,

Domestic Science Teacher.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIANS AND NURSE

January 1, 1927.

Mr. John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools,
Needham, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I respectfully submit a report of my work in the High, Junior, William Carter, Avery, Riverside, and Eliot Schools for the year 1925–26.

Number children examined	1,249
Number visits to school	104
Defective teeth	343
Defective tonsils	292
Defective glands	31
Cardiac disease	24
Pulmonary disease	2
Orthopedic defects	7
Malnutrition	98

Sincerely yours,
WILLIAM MITCHELL,
School Physician.

January 1. 1927.

Mr. John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools,
Needham, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: This is a report of work done in the Stephen Palmer, Kimball, Harris, Dwight, and Parker Schools during the school year 1925–26.

In the sixty-four visits to the schools and the fourteen calls at my office a number of contagious cases were discovered and sent home and in the annual examination of 728 pupils the following defects were noted.

Pupils having:

Defective teeth	422
Defective tonsils	185
Defective breathing	32
Glands much enlarged	3
Cardiac disease	2
Pulmonary disease	5
Orthopedic defects	5

In general the physical condition of the pupils in these schools in the last five years seems to have improved considerably, and a great deal more attention is being paid to dentistry.

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. L. MacGRAY,
School Physician.

Mr. John C. Davis, Superintendent of Schools,
Needham, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my report as School Nurse from March 15, 1926, to December 31, 1926.

Visits to School	471
*Number of inspections	7,070
Number children examined	1,883
†Number children temporarily excluded	253
‡Number children temporarily excluded	77
Number home calls	199
Number children sent to camp	3
Number weighed and measured	1,811
Malnutrition	166
Posture	34
Orthopedic defects	12
Enlarged glands	96
Enlarged tonsils	372
Defective teeth	517
Defective nasal breathing	6
Discharging ears	5
Symptoms of cardiac	4
Cardiac adolescence	29
Sore throat	97
Eye and ear tests given	1,478
Surgical dressings	52
Pediculosis	121
Uncleanliness	36
Letters or notices sent to parents	1,361

I wish to express my appreciation to the Superintendent, Principals, Teachers and all who have helped in various ways for their assistance and co-operation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH V. CARLSON,
School Nurse.

* Inspected for scarlet fever and measles.
† Excluded for scarlet fever suspects.
‡ Excluded for miscellaneous reasons.

TABLE I—MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE
For the Year Ending June, 1926

SCHOOLS	LOCATION	TEACHERS	GRADE	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent Attendance	Number Tardiness
High	Highland Avenue, N.	Gilman H. Campbell, Principal	IX–XII	436	408	379	93	2,414
		Fred L. Frost						
		Chester K. Delano						
		Alfred H. Johnson						
		Bernice L. Caswell						
		Eva H. Churchill						
		Jennie G. Berriman						
		Annie M. Currie						
		Florence Dudley						
		Florence E. Durgin						
		Mary W. Matheson						
		Leita L. Sawyer						
		Eva M. Piercy						
		May Springfield						
		Catherine E. Dodge						
		Helen R. Parker						
		Carolyn E. Tarbell						
		Georgiana E. Taylor						
Junior High	Highland Avenue, N.	Alvin D. Parker, Principal						
		Harriette M. Cole	VIII	46	43	41	94	81
		Nellie T. O'Brien	VIII	44	41	39	94	42
		Florence S. Covell	VII	32	29	26	92	148
		Sylvia A. Collins	VII	41	34	31	93	63
		Edith R. Hatch	VII	36	35	34	95	13
		Bertha E. Pugsley	VII	38	35	34	95	83
		Gladys I. Gilbert	VI	36	35	33	94	52
		Margaret Peters	VI	38	34	33	96	3
		Lelia Ross	VI	41	35	32	92	117
		Kathleen Wales	V	34	32	30	92	35
		Georgia L. Henley	V	37	32	30	94	60
Kimball	Chestnut Street, N.	Helen L. Bradley	V	32	28	26	92	227
		Myrtle A. Dixon	IV	27	23	21	92	95
		Rebecca H. Perry	IV	31	30	28	92	69
		Ethel L. Morehouse	IV	33	30	28	92	137

Wm. Carter	Highland Avenue, N. H.	Thomas H. Peters, Principal					
		Elizabeth L. Wentworth	VIII	29	29	96	95
		Helen B. Peterson	VIII	20	19	96	81
		Alice C. Gates	VII	42	39	97	51
		Ruth G. Chisholm	VII	38	34	95	191
		A. Adeline Moulton	VI	42	38	94	31
		Verta I. Rowell	VI	34	33	95	65
		Luella Eaton	V	34	32	95	92
		Isabel S. Kingsbury	V	27	25	96	39
		Helen C. Johnson	IV	37	35	95	90
		Ruth A. Webb	IV, III	37	35	96	33
Avery	Highland Ave., N. H.	Elizabeth A. Lester	II, III	37	33	93	58
		Pearle M. Phillips	II	41	35	90	135
		Harriette N. Boyd	I	64	55	90	54
		Rose Merrifield	K	57	51	86	43
Stephen Palmer	May Street, N.	Florence E. Eaton, Principal					
		Bertha I. Johnson	III	33	30	93	14
		Mary E. Blake	III	34	31	89	15
		Etta G. MacDonald	II, III	30	29	93	14
		Madolin F. Wilcox	II	40	35	89	71
		Elsie M. Hinkley	II	42	37	89	32
		Jane B. Doughty	I	35	30	88	34
		Mabel E. Jacobs	I	35	30	86	102
		Lilian H. Totman	I	35	30	87	19
		Alice M. McDougald	K	36	30	85	17
		Dorothy E. Mercer	K	34	27	81	33
Eliot	Central Avenue	Alice H. Eberhardt, Principal	V	40	38	96	48
		Ann E. Fawcett	IV	34	30	93	45
		Lillian Prescott	III	33	28	96	21
		Amy O. Johnson	K, I, II	46	40	92	166
Dwight	Central Avenue, N.	Frances M. Kingsbury, Principal	III, IV, V	34	31	93	49
		M. Helen Fox	K, I, II	32	28	90	55
Harris	Great Plain Avenue, N.	Mary E. Glancy, Principal	IV, V	17	16	95	10
		Gladys Johnson	K, II, III	30	25	91	7
Riverside		Edith M. McCann	K, I, II	46	42	94	13
Parker	Charles River	Alice Bartlett	K–III	12	10	78	41
				2,199	1,994	1,848	93	5,503

TABLE II—ORGANIZATION
December, 1926

SCHOOLS	TEACHERS	GRADES	Service Began	EDUCATED	Years Experience Previous to Sept. 1, '26
High	Gilman H. Campbell, Prin.	IX–XII	1919	Bowdoin–Dartmouth*–Harvard*	22
	Fred L. Frost		1919	Lebanon Valley, Col. Univ. A.M., Harvard†	12
	Herbert C. Dimlich		1926	Boston University, M. I. T.	2½
	Anna P. Fessenden		1926	Smith College, University of Minnesota	8
	Helen B. Leavitt		1926	Brown University	1
	Louise L. Steele		1926	Colby College, Harvard University*	3
	Charles E. Benton		1926	Harvard University	2
	Ruth C. Harrington		1926	Boston University	10
	Mildred C. Fraser		1926	Smith College	11
	Eva H. Churchill		1920	Emerson–Boston University†	11
	Annie M. Currie		1920	Tufts–Boston University*	14
	Florence E. Durgin		1922	Plymouth–Boston University	8
	Jennie G. Berriman		1922	Simmons–Palmer*–Boston University†	9½
	Florence Dudley		1924	Framingham Normal	5
	Mary W. Matheson		1924	Bridgewater, Boston University*	12
	Leita L. Sawyer		1924	Boston University	8
	Catherine E. Dodge		1925	University New Hampshire	3
	Margaret F. Wood		1926	Sargent School	2
	Georgiana E. Taylor		1924	Bridgewater Normal	27
Junior High	Alvin D. Parker, Principal		1924	Castleton (Vt.)Hyannis, B.U.*‡Univ. Vt.†	10
	Harriette M. Cole	VIII	1902	Castine (Me.) Normal	41
	Bertha E. Pugsley	VIII	1918	Emerson College	12
	Nellie T. O'Brien	VIII	1916	Framingham Normal	16
	Edith R. Hatch	VII	1923	Fitchburg, Hyannis Normal*	7
	A. Adeline Moulton	VII	1925	Gorham Normal	5
	Sylvia A. Collins	VII	1925	Farmington (Me.), Plymouth,† Keene*	16
	Gladys M. Russell	VII	1925	Potsdam Normal (N. Y.)	7

	Gladys I. Gilbert	VI	1925	Western State Normal	8
	Alice E. Chase	VI	1926	Framingham Normal	3
	Lelia Ross	VI	1925	Farmington (Me.) Normal	3
	Georgia L. Henley	V	1925	Worcester Normal, Hyannis*	3
Kimball	Gladys Johnson	V	1924	Edinboro Normal	3
	Helen H. Bradley	V	1925	Gorham Normal	4
	Rebecca H. Perry	IV	1924	Washington State Normal	4
	Myrtle A. Dixon	IV	1925	Fredricton Normal (N. S.)	9
	Ethel L. Morehouse	IV	1924	Provincial Normal, Truro Summer School	6
	Thomas H. Peters, Principal		1919	Hyannis Normal, M. A. C., Boston Univ.	12
	Helen B. Peterson	VIII	1922	Bridgewater Normal, Boston Univ.	9
	Elizabeth L. Wentworth	VIII	1925	Framingham, Harvard,* Boston Univ.*	15
	Ruth G. Chisholm	VII	1925	Keene Normal	4
	Alice C. Gates	VII	1924	Fitchburg, Boston University*	9
Wm. Carter	Verta I. Rowell	VI	1925	Plymouth, Keene Normal*	5½
	Katherine A. Pratt	VI	1926	Bridgewater Normal	2
	Nina A. Hopkins	VI	1926	Bridgewater Normal	2
	Isabel S. Kingsbury	V	1876	Needham High, Mass. Exten. Courses	50
	Luella Eaton	V	1905	Plymouth Normal	23½
	Helen C. Johnson	IV	1924	Framingham Normal	4
	Ruth A. Webb	III, IV	1910	Hallowell (Me.) Classical	18
	Elizabeth A. Lester	III	1889	Framingham Normal	37
	Pearle M. Phillips	II	1925	Wheelock, Boston University*	4
	Harriette N. Boyd	I	1903	Newburyport Train. School–Harvard†	30
Avery	Clara A. Dray	I	1925	Perry Kindergarten	1½
	Rose Merrifield	K	1924	Niel's Kindergarten	5
	Ruth Cushman	K	1926	Perry Kindergarten Normal	0
	Florence E. Eaton, Principal		1889	Needham High, Hyannis,* Harvard†	37
	Mary E. Blake	III	1907	Needham High, Hyannis*	18
	Bertha I. Johnson	III	1918	Castleton (Vt.) Normal	15
Stephen Palmer	Etta G. MacDonald	III	1912	Machias (Me.) High	29
	Elsie M. Hinkley	II	1918	Framingham Normal, M. A. C.*	14
	Madolin F. Wilcox	II	1919	Farmington (Me.), Hyannis*	9

*Summer Courses. †Partial Course.

TABLE II — ORGANIZATION — Continued

SCHOOLS	TEACHERS	GRADES	Service Began	EDUCATED	Years Experience Previous to Sept. 1, '26
S. Palmer	Mabel E. Jacobs	I, II	1919	Wheelock, Worcester Normal†	12
	Jane B. Doughty	I	1919	Bridgewater Normal, Hyannis	8
	Lilian H. Totman	I	1912	Quincy T. S., No. Adams Normal*	27
	Alice M. McDougald	K	1916	Fisher Training School	15
	Dorothy E. Mercer	K	1924	Wheelock Kindergarten Train. School	3
Eliot	Alice H. Eberhardt, Principal	V	1899	Needham High, Hyannis*	31
	Ann E. Fawcett	IV	1919	Hyannis Normal–Normal Art*	10
	Lillian Prescott	III	1921	Gorham (Me.) Normal	8
	Margaret T. Winters	K–II	1926	Wheelock Training School	1
Dwight	Frances M. Kingsbury, Prin.	III–V	1881	Needham High, Mass. Exten. Courses	45
	M. Helen Fox	K–II	1921	Wheelock Training School	5½
Harris	Mary E. Glancy	IV–VI	1888	Needham High, Hyannis,* Boston Univ.†	38
	Dene Rowe	K–I–III	1926	Framingham Normal, Fitchburg*	1
Parker	Edith M. McCann	K–II	1908	Boston University	18
Riverside	Ruth E. Smith	K–III	1926	Wheelock Training School	0
Supervisors	Ellen H. Bartlett	Music	1904	Special Music Schools, Boston Univ.*	33
	Florence H. Russell	Drawing	1915	Massachusetts Normal Art	15
	Alfred H. Johnson	Manual Training	1923	Lloyd Training School, Boston Univ.*	4
	Chester K. Delano	Physical Education	1924	Springfield Col., Harvard Univ.*	4
Evening School	Thomas H. Peters, Principal		1925	Hyannis Normal, Boston University	12
	Mary C. Glancy	Americanization	1919	Hyannis Normal, Boston University†	38
	Alice C. Gates	Elementary Subjects	1926	Fitchburg Normal, Boston University*	9
	Mary W. Matheson	Commercial Subjects	1926	Bridgewater Normal, Boston Univ.*	12
	Nora E. Gateley	Practical Arts	1926	Roxbury High, Mass. Extension Courses	7

* Summer Courses. † Partial Course.

JANITORS

High School, John W. Riley, George Kennedy.
Junior High School, George Knowles.
Kimball School, Charles Leighton.
Wm. Carter School, George H. Hutchins.
Avery School, Daniel J. Sullivan.
Stephen Palmer School, Alexander Mulholland.
Eliot and Dwight Schools, Edward Daley.
Harris School, John Daley.
Parker School, William F. Brown.
Riverside School, Thomas Gamble.

MEMBERSHIP BY GRADES
April 1, 1926

GRADES	K	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	Total
Elementary Schools	149	176	183	174	176	206	175	207	134					1,580
High School										139	124	69	69	401
Total														1,981

THE FOLLOWING TABLE SHOWS SCHOOL EXPENDITURE IN NEEDHAM COMPARED WITH FOURTEEN OTHER TOWNS

TOWNS	POPULATION 1925	VALUATION 1925	Valuation Per Pupil in Average Membership	Expenditure Per Pupil From Local Taxation	Expenditure Per Pupil From All Sources	Expenditure For Schools Per $1,000 Valuation
Norwood	14,151	$24,089,870	7,459	75.51	82.32	10.12
Dedham	13,918	19,732,250	6,868	66.30	75.85	9.65
Belmont	15,256	26,124,560	9,099	77.39	84.74	8.50
Braintree	13,193	16,698,525	6,364	69.13	76.01	10.86
Winchester	11,565	26,253,500	13,905	88.96	97.76	6.40
Amesbury	11,229	10,979,892	9,037	81.80	98.08	9.05
Milton	12,861	27,671,015	12,930	88.44	95.72	6.84
Andover	10,291	17,535,688	12,445	82.36	90.33	6.62
Concord	7,056	8,249,839	6,268	96.16	118.15	13.89
Middleboro	9,736	9,444,377	5,707	51.98	64.92	9.11
Lexington	7,785	14,658,401	8,054	74.35	85.78	9.23
Wellesley	9,049	27,834,250	15,859	122.75	133.73	7.74
Abington	5,882	4,918,268	4,092	72.28	83.14	17.65
Walpole	6,508	10,960,232	7,346	82.42	94.22	11.21
Needham	8,977	15,705,693	7,924	74.57	81.94	9.41

GRADUATES

High School—59

Gilman H. Campbell, Principal

Clarissa Ruth Adams
Stella Elizabeth Barkutis
Ida M. Boyd
Ruth Burgess
Allen S. Butler
Josephine Mary Carlone
Arnold Childs
Dorothy M. Cookson
Vivien M. Davidson
Ruth Elenore Davis
Lucien W. Dean
Lawrence J. Devine
Mary Alice Donahue
Murray Eugene Fairweather
Elmer William Ferson
Kathryn M. Gilfoil
Elizabeth L. Gillespie
Catherine Groves
Theodore Gunaris
Clarence E. Hammond
Mildred Evelyn Hansen
John F. Harkins
Constance Jocelyn Healey
Elinor R. Hollis
Eleanor Jarvis
Mildred Louise Joy
Violet Ruth Killam
Elizabeth Oliver Kimball
Alice Holmes Kingsbury
Blanche Elizabeth Knowles
George Walter Mackenzie
Ruth M. Mahaffy
Frank Milton Marshall
William F. Mitchell
Donald Haskell Mitchell
Etta Morris
Lars Alexander Nelson
Ruth Louise Newcomb
Winthrop Newcomb
Ruth Pauline Norcross
Horace Brastow Preble
Evelyn Murray Queen
Sherburne Stone Rand
Howard A. Roberts
Everett Dillon Roper
Dorothy F. Rosenblat
Irvine E. Ross, Jr.
Edward Francis Scott
Elsie Mae Scotton
Russell Seaver
Margaret B. Seymour
Daniel James Shine
Benjamin Simon
Raymond Francis Smith
Winthrop Grant Smith
Winthrop Morton Southworth, Jr.
Oscar Allan Starkweather
Kenteth E. Stata
Marion F. Stevens
Esther Sutton.
Virginia E. Tinker
Katherine S. Voorhees
Everett F. Waining
Ruth Isabelle Warburton
Blanche Marie Whelan
Joseph D. Whelan
Olive Woodruff
Margaret Sibley Woods

Junior High School—82

Alvin D. Parker, Principal

*Roland P. Ackroyd
†*Winnifred M. Beal
Mary H. Bacon
Roger Bryer
Clifford H. Bryant
Winnifred M. Bliss
Hazel Berger
Clifford W. Berger
Hazel V. Bernsten
†Barbara Cowdrey
Robert V. Curtin
Albert E. Chamberlain
Gladys E. Cassidy
Marjorie L. Davis
Elizabeth A. Donald
Francis Donahue
†*Margaret L. Johnson
†Margaret Kenney
Mildred P. I. Kenney
Helen G. Lyons
Charlotte C. Lake
Annie M. Lambert
ALena Landi
*Rosalie Leahy
Pearl E. Lennon
Robert Miller
Lawrence A. McKinnon
Joseph Matherwiez
Marie C. Meier
†Julia V. Mullan
*Davis C. McIntosh
†Gladys E. Morgan

*Members of the School Cabinet. †Honor Pupils.

Junior High School—*Continued*

*Mildred A. Draheim
Harriett L. Dunn
Catherine Doran
Albert H. Donahue
Albert P. Davis
Genevieve Dalyrmple
Paul C. Ewing
Ronald I. Friswell
Carmelino Frazetti
Samuel J. Forsyth
*William W. Gallagher
†Betty R. Getchell
Roberta E. Gray
Elizabeth Gordon
*Davis C. Hatch
*Wilhelmina L. Hutchins
Elizabeth L. Hopson
Evelyn G. Hewett
Earl G. Hazard
Frederick Haley
Carl Hansis
Helen G. Harkins
Margaret Hasenfus
Olive B. Hasenfus
George W. Johnson
Arthur MacGreggor
†Olga J. McMurdie
Malcolm McIntosh
Bertil Olson
Evelyn Prouty
Chester A. Peterson
Edna H. Rogers
Elizabeth Rohn
*Frederick F. Robinson
Margaret L. Rice
†Melvin C. Storrs
Bradford Stephens
Merle G. Smith
Philip Sciacca
Ruth G. Small
Barbara I. Shibles
William B. Stewart
Lillian Trundley
*Ruth Walsh
†*Robert D. Wood
Edith Walton
Vivien O. Wahlig
Constance Walsh
Ralph Whelan
Chestley Woodward

William Carter School—48

Thomas H. Peters, Principal

‡Elizabeth Oakes Atkinson
Emilio Bacchiochi
Raymond G. Barba
Annie Barkutis
John Paul Bartony
Marjorie Geraldine Bayers
‡Nettie Alwilde Brigham
Herbert Edward Brooks
Philip Adelbert Brooks
George Newton Clark, Jr.
‡Helen Theresa Cotter
Marceau De Doming
Francis Carlisle Dennis
‡Jennie Ellen Diffin
Adeline Di Poli
John Dolitka
Ethel Grace Foster
Vincent Buitta Gamble
John Grieve
‡Marjorie P. Harris
Arthur Nelson Hartshorn
Ruth M. Hartshorn
‡Charles Montague Johnson
Josephine Kalinowski
Charles Welsey Maddocks
Mary Marino
Alexander Marusa
‡Josephine Mroczka
Henry Owen Murray
Nellie Musiekewiez
Rowland Frederick Newton
*Ella Niden
Sophia Olbris
Stella Pasionek
Anna Pigaga
Amelia Pignatelli
Joseph Platuki
Alba Polverini
Frances Edith Queen
Jessie Signa Ramberg
Julia Rose Sherminski
Marjorie Lillias Slaney
Thomas Henry Sparkes
Luci Tocci
‡Etheleyn Marion Tucker
‡Blanche E. Ward
Melvin Thomas Ward
Annie Wesalowski

* Members of the School Cabinet. † Honor Pupils.
‡ Graduating with Honor.

Record of the Kimball and Wm. Carter Graduates as of September 8, 1926

Entered Needham High	110
Entered Other Schools	6
Moved Away	5
Went to work	9
	130

ROLL OF HONOR

Pupils neither absent nor tardy during the school year 1925–1926.

Six Years

Edward S. Hansis, Freshman, High School.

Four Years

Aaron Loomis, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Roland F. Newton, Grade VIII, William Carter School.

Three Years

Lawrence Whitemore, Sophomore, High School.
Sydney Lines, Freshman, High School.
Ruth Brooks, Grade V, William Carter School.
George C. Slack, Grade III, S. Palmer School.
Alvira Scriman, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Stephen Bielske, Grade II, Riverside School.
Adam Niden, Grade II, Riverside School.

Two Years

Frederick Caulton, Sophomore, High School.
Olga McMurdie, Grade VIII, Junior High School.
Carl Hansis, Grade VIII, Junior High School.
Julia Bacchiochi, Grade VI, William Carter School.
Catherine Vara, Grade V, Eliot School.
Angelina Scialdone, Grade V, Eliot School.
Wercno Marino, Grade II, Eliot School.
John Newbury, Grade V, Harris School.
Josephine Marusa, Grade II, Riverside School.

One Year

Harlan Crossett, Junior, High School.
Phyllis Koldenberg, Junior, High School.
Robert Polly, Junior, High School.
Robert Mann, Freshman, High School.

Frances Oliver, Freshman, High School.
June Waldron, Freshman, High School.
Edward Colter, Freshman, High School.
Loretta Donahue, Freshman, High School.
Herbert Woods, Freshman, High School.
Donald Corbett, Freshman, High School.
Barbara Cowdrey, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Elizabeth Donald, Grade VIII, Junior High School.
Julia Mullan, Grade VIII, Junior High School.
Florence Coleman, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Janice Leavitt, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Abbott Rand, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Barbara Hervey, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Arthur Wilkes, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Irene Fall, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Robert Huddy, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Eleanor Sturtevant, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Marjorie Studley, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Ruth Standwood, Grade VII, Junior High School.
Jane Burton, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Lloyd G. Tupper, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Robert Fogg, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Louise Chilson, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Eva Parks, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Mitchell Boyd, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Eva Church, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Janet Lewis, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Margaret Wilm, Grade VI, Kimball School.
Dorothea Corliss, Grade IV, Kimball School.
Alba Polverine, Grace VIII, William Carter School.
Rosa Hinden, Grade VIII, William Carter School.
Raymond Barba, Grade VIII, William Carter School.
James Ruane, Grade VII, William Carter School.
Mary Vancavage, Grade VII, William Carter School.
William Johnson, Grade VI, William Carter School.
Maurice Holman, Grade VI, William Carter School.
Annie Maciumski, Grade VI, William Carter School.
Harold Brundrett, Grade V, William Carter School.
Winifred Shuker, Grade V, William Carter School.
Marjorie Waining, Grade IV, William Carter School.
Libero Ricciardelli, Grade III, William Carter School.
Hazel Chamberlain, Grade III, William Carter School.
Caroline Grasso, Grade I, Avery School.
Jeffrey J. Carre, Grade I, Avery School.
Bernard J. Hutt, Grade I, Avery School.
Constance L. Rodgers, Grade I, S. Palmer School.
John Kalinowski, Grade V, Eliot School.
Jennie Marusa, Grade V, Eliot School.
Mary Pirro, Grade V, Eliot School.

Stella Sienczuck, Grade I, Eliot School.
Stella Sokol, Grade IV, Dwight School.
Laura Scrima, Grade III, Dwight School.
Helen Scrima, Grade II, Dwight School.
Frances Blackman, Grade V, Harris School.
Elizabeth Corbett, Grade IV, Harris School.
Edwin Payn, Grade IV, Harris School.
Wasil Kosmenko, Grade II, Riverside School.
Stella Olbris, Grade I, Riverside School.

TOWN OF NEEDHAM

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TREASURER, COLLECTOR,

AND

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

FOR THE YEAR 1926

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GARDEN CITY PRESS, INC.
1927

REPORT OF TREASURER

CHARLES E. STANWOOD, *Treasurer*,
In account with TOWN OF NEEDHAM
January 1, 1926, to December 31, 1926.

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1926		
Jan.		
1	To balance cash on hand	$174,411 76
13	Newton Savings Bank, Greenwood Fund Income	23 40
	Wm. G. Moseley, Cr. Department Public Welfare	31 00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Treasurer Norfolk County, Commissioners' Award account Central Avenue	50 00
	Dog License fees	992 31
20	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer, Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	City of Boston, Cr. Health Department	93 60
	West Newton Savings Bank, Greenwood Fund Income	24 44
21	Treasurer of Needham, Cr. Library Department (Greenwood and Barr Fund, Inc., 1925)	573 70
	Harry L. Thompson, Cr. Department Public Welfare	178 00
27	Needham Poultry Association, Rent Town Hall, November 18, 1925	2 50
	New Century Club, Rent Town Hall, December 31, 1925	3 00
	Refunded, Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Samuel H. Capen, Master, Fines at House of Correction	10 00
	Treasurer of the Commonwealth, Cr. Department Public Welfare	373 71
31	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1924 taxes	1,725 21
	Account Interest on 1924 taxes	181 57
	Account 1925 taxes	20,876 03
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	336 96

Jan.		
31	Account Interest on 1925 tax	$279 43
	Special warrants	1,069 81
	Tax Certificates	34 00
	Interest on bank balances	222 30
	1925 Betterment tax	2,736 11
16	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on bank balances	99 28
13	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924, account	134 74
	Interest on bank balances	280 67
15	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on bank balances	12 00
Feb.		
3	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	153 50
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	City of Boston,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	3,035 17
11	Needham Trust Company,	
	Cr. Treasurer's Department	104 00
	Evan C. Thorpe,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	395 36
12	Wm. G. Moseley,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	31 00
18	Treasurer of Needham,	
	Cr. Insurance	100 00
	Treasurer of the Commonwealth,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	578 33
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Ralph H. Anthony,	
	Cr. School Department	58 49
	F. A. Butler,	
	Cr. School Department	58 49
	New Century Club,	
	Rent Town Hall, December 15, 1925	2 50
	Stack & McAdam,	
	Garage License	2 50
	Auto Agent's License	10 00
	Gasoline License	1 00
	Citizens National Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	50

Feb.		
24	Girl Scouts,	
	Rent Town Hall, January 23, 1926 ...	$5 00
	Needham Board of Trade,	
	Rent Town Hall, January 14, 1926 ...	2 50
	Miscellaneous,	
	Cr. Police Department	20 30
	Chas. A. Smith,	
	Cr. School Department	58 49
	Geo. P. Holbrook,	
	Cr. School Department	36 31
	Treasurer Norfolk County,	
	Commissioners' Award account Central Avenue	10,000 00
	John E. Buckley,	
	Sale of lot 77 Hood Park	22 51
27	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1925 taxes	13,868 39
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	195 45
	Account Interest on 1925 tax	267 47
	Account 1925 Betterment tax	1,896 11
12	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on bank balances	49 48
10	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Interest on bank balances	142 69
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924, account	108 58
15	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on bank balances	12 00
Mar.		
1	A. Sargent, Chief Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	15 00
	Osgood T. Dean,	
	Cr. School Department	58 49
	Fred C. Woodward,	
	Garage license	2 50
	New Century Club,	
	Rent Town Hall, January 19, 1926 ...	2 50
1	Scottish Clan,	
	Rent Town Hall, January 28, 1926 ...	23 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	120 60
18	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	1 00

Mar.			
18	A. Sargent, Chief Probation Officer,		
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	$6	38
	Wm. G. Moseley,		
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	28	00
	Needham Motor Company,		
	Auto Agent's License	10	00
	William E. Ellis,		
	Auctioneer's License	2	00
	Elizabeth Fanning,		
	Gasoline License		50
	C. S. Snow,		
	Cr. School Department	35	16
	E. S. Mitchell,		
	Cr. School Department	58	49
	Refunded,		
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6	00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,		
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4	00
15	Needham Trust Company,		
	Interest on daily balances	98	69
9	Old Colony Trust Company,		
	Interest on daily balances	123	74
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924, account	76	99
15	Liberty Trust Company,		
	Interest on daily balances	10	85
Apr.			
1	Elizabeth Fanning,		
	Gasoline License		50
	Norman MacKenzie,		
	Cr. Police Department	5	62
	Needham Golf Club,		
	Rent Town Hall, Feb. 12, 1926	23	00
	New Century Club,		
	Rent Town Hall, February 17, March 3 and 16, 1926	30	00
	Refunded,		
	Cr. Deparmtent Public Welfare	6	00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,		
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4	00
6	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,		
	Account 1925 tax	18,372	11
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	174	72
	Account Interest on 1925 tax	485	74
	Check cancelled,		
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	75	00

Apr.		
7	Bank of Commerce & Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances to April 1, 1926	$41 65
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	1 00
	F. A. McIntosh,	
	Gasoline license	50
7	Harry McMath,	
	Garage license	2 50
	John Baldessaro,	
	Hawker's and Peddler's license	1 00
	Massachusetts Catholic Women's Guild,	
	Rent Town Hall, March 17, 1926	25 00
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	153 75
	Pennsylvania Fire Insurance Co.,	
	Cr. Insurance	14 65
	District Court Northern Norfolk,	
	Fines quarter ended March 31, 1926	10 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Vocational Education	1,838 39
	Corp. Tax P. S. 1925	94 33
14	Wm. G. Moseley,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	31 00
	Barbara Abbott, Librarian,	
	Fines at Public Library	100 00
22	Suffolk Savings Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	41 24
	Needham Trust Company,	
	Barr Fund Income	10 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	John J. Rodgers,	
	Gasoline license	1 00
	George T. Washburn,	
	Garage license	2 50
	Minnie Weinstein,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Boston Five Cents Savings Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	41 33
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	64 67
	Cr. Health Department	345 71
	Income tax 1923	294 00
	Income tax 1924	372 40
	Income tax 1925	1,115 00

Apr.		
28	J. C. Davis,	
	Cr. Health Department	$50 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	J. J. Sullivan,	
	Victualler's license	2 50
	Charles Stevens,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Needham Rebecca Lodge,	
	Rent Town Hall, April 5, 1926	25 00
	Home Savings Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	26 80
	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1925 taxes	11,569 98
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	255 08
	Account interest on 1925 tax	352 35
16	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	43 56
15	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	12 00
8	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924, account	77 80
	Interest on daily balances	132 34
May		
5	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	1 00
	J. H. Callahan,	
	Bowling Alley license	50 00
	Frank DeFazio,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Essie L. Amiro,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Howard A. Baxter,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Raymond Barba,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Leonard Vara,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Gasoline license	50
	Luke L. Amiro,	
	Gasoline license	50
	F. J. Tillinghart,	
	Victualler's license	2 50
	Mary Bryant,	
	Victualler's license	2 50
	Raymond Barba,	
	Hawker's and Peddler's license	1 00

May		
5	Simon Rosenblat,	
	Junk license	$2 00
	S. Segal	
	Junk license	2 00
	Norfolk Lodge A. F. & A. M.,	
	Rent Town Hall, April 9, 1926	28 00
	New Century Club,	
	Rent Town Hall, May 5, 1926	17 00
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	216 50
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
13	Natick Five Cent Savings Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	30 48
	Dedham Institute for Savings,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	24 41
	Omar Conte,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	John Stevens,	
	Lord's Day license	10 00
	Victualler's license	2 50
	Rufus E. Lambert,	
	Gasoline license	50
	Alger E. Eaton,	
	Eight Taxicab licenses	8 00
	Gasoline license	50
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	20 50
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	1 00
	Leona B. Hilton,	
	Victualler's license	2 50
19	William G. Moseley,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	30 00
	Nicholas Mastropieri,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Margaret Malone,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
19	C. S. Snow,	
	Cr. School Department	34 00
	Massachusetts W. C. Guild,	
	Rent Town Hall, April 21, 1926	5 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	36 00
	Samuel H. Capen, Master,	
	Fines at Jail and House of Correction	9 50

May		
19	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	$4 00
26	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	318 82
	Citizens National Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	50
	Ernest Blake,	
	Victualler's license	2 50
	M. Buitta,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Nutty Nut Shop,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Ryan & O'Connor,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	63 25
	M. Buitta,	
	Cr. Fire Department	30 00
	Miscellaneous,	
	Cr. Fire Alarm Department	5 50
	Wistaria Chapter,	
	Rent Town Hall, May 1, 1926	15 00
	American Legion,	
	Rent Town Hall, April 7 and 8, 1926 ..	51 00
	Everett Adams,	
	Cr. School Department	50 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Treasurer of Needham,	
	Cr. Highway Department	77 00
29	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1925 taxes	8,211 88
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	110 54
	Account interest on 1925 tax	272 15
	Account 1925 Betterment tax	918 25
	Account interest on 1925 Betterment tax	4 11
18	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	43 78
15	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	11 75
1	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc.,	
	Tax notes dated April 23, 1926,	
	No. 137 due November 15, 1926	50,000 00
	No. 138 due December 1, 1926	25,000 00
	No. 139 due December 1, 1926	10,000 00
	No. 140 due December 1, 1926	10,000 00
	No. 141 due December 1, 1926	5,000 00
	No. 142 due December 15, 1926	25,000 00

May		
1	No. 143 due December 15, 1926	$10,000 00
	No. 144 due December 15, 1926	10,000 00
	No. 145 due December 15, 1926	5,000 00
	No. 146 due December 23, 1926	25,000 00
	No. 147 due December 23, 1926	25,000 00
8	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc.,	
	Tax note No. 148 dated May 4, 1926, due Jan. 4, 1927	15,000 00
12	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	$ 59 10
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924 account	72 16
June		
2	K. L. Brady,	
	Victualler's License	2 50
	W. Gordon Turner,	
	Taxi license	1 00
	Standard Oil Co.,	
	Cr. School Department	4 00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Public Welfare Department	4 00
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	122 00
3	Chas. E. Stanwood, Treasurer,	
	Cr. Highway Department	92 00
12	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Vocational Educ. Trust U. S. Grant	45 05
	Eliot Lodge, I. O. O. F.	
	Rent Town Hall May 13, 1926.....	23 00
	Board of Trade,	
	Rent Town Hall May 22, 1926.....	20 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	60 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	J. P. Kinsman,	
	Gasoline license	1 00
	Susie R. Bardwell,	
	Gasoline license	50
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Rufus E. Lambert,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Theodore McIntosh,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
19	William G. Moseley,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	31 00
23	Chas E. Stanwood, Treasurer,	
	Cr. Highway Department	24 00

June		
24	Harriett Willett,	
	Fines at Public Library	$50 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Special license	14 00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	S. B. Swain,	
	Gasoline license	1 00
	Florence M. Taylor,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	W. Harold Martin,	
	Gasoline license	1 00
	Treasurer of Needham,	
	Part payment account loan to Water Department from General Fund Article 41, March, 1924, Town Meeting	4,000 00
	Interest on above part of loan	330 67
	Miscellaneous,	
	Cr. School Department	3 60
18	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	22 69
1	C. D. Parker & Co. Inc.,	
	Tax note No. 149 due December 29, 1926	10,000 00
	Tax note No. 150 due December 29, 1926	30,000 00
	Tax note No. 151 due December 29, 1926	50,000 00
	Tax note No. 152 due May 25, 1927	60,000 00
	Tax note No. 153 due May 25, 1927	25,000 00
11	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	170 30
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924 account	70 25
15	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	12 25
July		
1	H. E. Berger, Jr.,	
	Milk and Oleo licenses	26 50
	William F. Alden,	
	Garage license	2 50
	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1925 taxes	11,809 29
	Account interest on 1925 tax	451 88
7	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Norman MacKenzie,	
	Cr. Police Department	2 75

July			
7	F. H. Whittier,		
	Lord's Day license	$5	00
	Victualler's license	2	50
	H. H. Upham,		
	Inspection fees	155	50
	Joseph Alexander,		
	Inspection fees	76	00
	District Court Northern Norfolk,		
	Fines quarter ended June 30, 1926	562	00
	Bank of Commerce & Trust Company,		
	Interest on daily balances	53	15
	Treasurer of Needham,		
	Cr. Police Department	3	00
	Newton Savings Bank,		
	Greenwood Fund Income	23	40
19	Wm. G. Moseley,		
	Cr. Public Welfare Department	30	00
21	Refunded,		
	Cr. Public Welfare Department	12	00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,		
	Cr. Public Welfare Department	4	00
	James F. Ryan,		
	Cr. Fire Department	5	00
	Adams Brothers,		
	Garage license	2	50
	Gasoline license		50
	Joseph Alexander,		
	Inspection fees	62	75
	West Newton Savings Bank,		
	Greenwood Fund Income	24	44
	Checks cancelled,		
	Cr. State Aid	6	00
	Cr. Soldier's Relief	20	00
28	Treasurer of Needham,		
	Reimburse General Fund from Sewer Department for payments made to and including July 1, 1926	4,621	79
	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,		
	Sewer Betterments	5,400	25
29	Hawkin's Bros.,		
	Hawker's and Peddler's license	1	00
29	Roby S. Thomas,		
	Garage license	2	50
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,		
	Cr. Public Welfare Department	369	51
	Corporation tax 1925		41
	Interest on Corporation tax 1925		02
	Corporation tax Business	1,503	18

July		
21	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	$38 41
15	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	11 84
14	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	213 14
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924 account	53 31
Aug.		
2	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1925 tax	6,547 44
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	24 01
	Account interest on 1925 tax	355 05
4	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	2 00
	District Court Northern Norfolk,	
	Fines month of July, 1926	265 00
	V. J. Mulherin,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Nunzio Carducci,	
	Hawker's and Peddler's license	1 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Barbara Abbott,	
	Fines at Public Library	21 26
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
9	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Sewer Betterments	6,433 15
10	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc.,	
	Tax notes Nos. 156, 157, 158 $10,000 each dated July 27, 1926, due July 27, 1927	30,000 00
19	Needham Golf Club,	
	Lord's Day license	5 00
	Victualler's license	2 50
	Ladd & Thomas,	
	Garage license	2 50
	Gasoline license	1 00
	Verna Lawler,	
	Manicure license	1 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	George P. Holbrook,	
	Cr. School Department	187 50
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	92 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	54 25

Aug.		
18	Samuel H. Capen, Master,	
	Fines at House of Correction to July 1, 1926	$134 00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
23	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1925 taxes	14,898 98
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	153 11
	Account interest on 1925 tax	838 13
	Account Betterment tax 1925	1,425 01
	Account interest on 1925 Betterment tax	47 96
25	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1924 tax	413 28
	Account 1924 Sidewalk tax	9 26
	Account interest on 1924 tax	50 51
30	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	1 00
	Paul E. Richwagen & Sons,	
	Gasoline license	1 00
	Lydia C. Bowmar,	
	Gasoline license	50
	Citizens National Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	50
	William G. Moseley,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	31 00
3	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc.,	
	Tax notes Nos. 154 and 155 $10,000 each dated July 27, 1926, due July 27, 1927	20,000 00
19	Tax notes Nos. 165, 166, 167 $10,000 each dated August 10, 1926, due July 1, 1927	30,000 00
14	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	25 42
16	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	12 25
12	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	69 15
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924 account	42 73
Sept.		
1	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	181 52
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	28 50

Sept.		
1	Gasoline licenses,	
	W. Gordon Turner	$0 50
	Geo. T. Washburn	50
	Theodore McIntosh	1 00
	Stephen Roklan	50
	Suburban Hardware and Auto Supply Company	50
	A. Ricciardelli	50
	K. A. Ryan,	
	Manicure license	1 00
8	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Alice C. Gates,	
	Cr. School Department	1 31
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	53 55
	Nicholas Mastropiere,	
	Gasoline license	50
	District Court Northern Norfolk,	
	Fines month ending August 31, 1926	10 00
13	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1925 taxes	10,347 39
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	71 70
	Account interest on 1925 tax	501 24
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	35 00
	Phillip Salman,	
	Gasoline license	1 00
	Needham Hardware Co.,	
	Ammunition license	1 00
13	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	92 50
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Check No. 1785 cancelled,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	7 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	114 30
	W. S. Bagly, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	8 00
27	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Barbara Abbott,	
	Fines at Public Library	24 30
	Mr. Ellis,	
	Rent Town Hall September 21, 1926	15 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	49 40

Sept.		
27	F. A. Daly,	
	Taxicab license	$5 00
	Beahan & O'Brien,	
	Gasoline license	1 00
	Modern Garage,	
	Gasoline license	50
29	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1925 tax	8,890 55
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	150 82
	Account interest on 1925 tax	474 79
15	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	36 88
14	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	144 91
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924 account	35 88
15	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	12 33
Oct.		
4	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1926 Poll tax	5,000 00
15	I. Buitta,	
	Four Bowling Alley licenses	10 00
	Harold Keefe,	
	Taxicab license	1 00
	Harold Welch,	
	Hawker's and Peddler's license	1 00
	W. A. Collishaw,	
	Hawker's and Peddler's license	2 00
	Needham Heights Garage,	
	Garage license	2 50
	Gasoline license	50
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Chas. A. Smith,	
	Cr. School Department	58 49
	Geo. P. Holbrook,	
	Cr. School Department	2 10
	Ralph A. Ludwig,	
	Cr. School Department	58 45
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	108 50
	J. Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	33 25
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	1926 tax on land taken for water purposes	69 80
	District Court Northern Norfolk.	
	Fines quarter ended September 30, 1926	30 00

Oct.		
19	Henry Godfrey, Jr.,Collector,	
	Account 1926 tax	$48,703 23
	Account 1926 Sidewalk tax	76 67
22	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	35 00
	Boston Five Cents Savings Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	41 33
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Highway Department	181 79
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Needham Trust Company,	
	Barr Fund Income	10 00
	Check No. L5475 cancelled,	
	Cr. Library Department	2 76
26	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1926 taxes	38,947 75
	Account 1926 Sidewalk tax	277 23
25	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account Sewer Assessments	5,052 95
	Account Interest on Sewer Assessments	7 24
26	Home Savings Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	26 80
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Ralph H. Anthony,	
	Cr. School Department	58 49
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	67 25
	Suffolk Savings Bank,	
	Cr. Greenwood Fund Income	41 24
	Town of Brookline,	
	1926 tax on land taken for water purposes	34 16
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	437 70
29	Coupons due 3/1 and 9/1/26 on Town of Needham Bonds,	
	Dwight School Fund Income	210 00
15	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	30 25
	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	11 84
8	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	176 42
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924 account	27 48
	Needham Trust Company—Savings Department,	
	Interest on Sewer Betterments account	57 43

Nov.		
2	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	$4 00
	Barbara Abbott, Librarian,	
	Fines at Library	34 46
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. School Department	91 13
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	1 00
	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1926 tax	110,796 73
	Account 1926 Sidewalk tax	1,828 13
	Margaret M. Raymond, Admx.,	
	Release tax title Lots 148, 149, 155, 156 Nehoiden Park taxes $27.45—Interest $2.97	30 42
8	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1926 tax	101,636 34
	Account interest on 1926 tax	58
	Account 1926 Sidewalk tax	1,087 17
9	B. Capobianco,	
	Hawker's and Peddler's license.....	1 00
	T. J. Crossman Co., Inc.,	
	Gasoline license	1 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Edwin L. Mitchell,	
	Cr. School Department	58 49
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	106 00
	District Court Northern Norfolk,	
	Fines for October	30 00
	City of Boston,	
	Cr. School Department	92 46
16	Coupons due 5/15 and 11/15/26 on $3,000 U. S. Liberty Loan,	
	Cr. Greenwood Fund Income	127 50
	Citizens National Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	50
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	83 25
	Rocco Ferrara,	
	Victualler's license	1 25
	Tougas & Cox,	
	Lord's Day license	2 50
	Natick Five Cents Savings Bank,	
	Greenwood Fund Income.....	30 48

Nov.		
16	Dedham Institute for Savings,	
	Greenwood Fund Income	$24 41
22	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	35 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Income tax 1926	12,390 00
	Samuel H. Capen, Master,	
	Fines at House of Correction	50 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Corporation Tax—Public Service	3,627 90
	Corporation Tax–Business	16,239 20
	Income tax 1926	34,397 18
	National Bank tax	522 71
	Trust Company Tax	2,350 54
	Street Railway Tax	14 27
	Military Aid	140 00
	State Aid	162 00
	Soldiers' Exemption	186 49
	Chas. River Basin Loan Sinking Fund	2,670 31
11	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Cr. Sewerage Loan Act of 1924 account	19 22
	Interest on daily balances	133 91
16	M. J. McGuinness,	
	Guaranty deposit to cover damages by blasting	3,000 00
15	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	12 25
27	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	New Century Club,	
	Rent Town Hall, November 9, 1926	16 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	Walker-Gordon Laboratory Co.,	
	Garage license	2 50
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	37 00
	E. F. & E. W. Goodale,	
	Victualler's license	1 25
29	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1924 Betterment tax	1,109 34
	Account Interest on 1924 Betterment tax	95 52
12	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	84 22

Dec.		
1	Treasurer of Needham,	
	Balance account loan to Water Department from General Fund Article 41 March, 1924, Town Meeting	$12,000 00
	Temporary loans to Water Department returned to General Fund	8,000 00
8	District Court Northern Norfolk,	
	Fines for month of November, 1926	10 00
	Tougas & Cox,	
	Victualler's license	1 25
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	47 50
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	107 00
	New Century Club,	
	Rent Town Hall, October 6 and November 3	45 00
	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Account 1926 tax	49,434 45
	Account 1926 Sidewalk tax	1,174 47
	Account Interest on 1926 tax	184 95
21	Refunded,	
	Cr. Public Welfare Department	12 00
	Ina Stewart,	
	Victualler's license	1 25
	Lord & Thomas,	
	Used Car license	20 00
	W. H. Stanton,	
	Sealing fees	84 01
	Needham Music Club,	
	Cr. School Department	12 00
	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Public Welfare Department	4 00
	Treasurer Norfolk County,	
	Commissioners award account Central Avenue	283 00
	Commissioners award account Great Plain Avenue	117 10
	Check cancelled,	
	Cr. Great Plain Avenue Damage Award	656 30
22	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Cr. Highway Department	4,840 00
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	35 00
	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Betterment Tax 1925	1,557 24
	Interest on Betterment tax 1925	62 79
	Special Betterment warrants	1,233 79

Dec.		
22	Tax Certificates	$23 00
	Interest on bank balances	229 15
28	W. S. Bagley, Probation Officer,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	4 00
	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	31 75
31	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Sewer Assessments	2,120 33
	1926 Betterment tax	3,105 90
	Account 1926 taxes	25,144 77
	Account 1926 Sidewalk tax	485 51
	Account Interest on 1926 taxes	246 26
	Account 1925 taxes	10,015 63
	Account 1925 Sidewalk tax	141 65
	Account Interest on 1925 tax	812 23
	Account 1925 Betterment tax	124 44
	Account Interest on 1925 Betterment tax	28
22	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	78 75
31	Joseph Alexander,	
	Inspection fees	15 75
	Refunded,	
	Cr. Department Public Welfare	6 00
	City of Newton,	
	1926 tax on land taken for water purposes	572 47
	Treasurer Norfolk County,	
	Commissioners award account Central Avenue	4,840 00
	H. H. Upham,	
	Inspection fees	69 50
	District Court Northern Norfolk,	
	Fines for month of December, 1926	10 00
	J. F. Buckley,	
	Inspection fees	4 00
28	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc.,	
	Tax notes Nos. 198, 199, 200, $25,000 each due November 15, 1927	75,000 00
9	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	449 26
	Cr. Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924 account	18 36
18	J. P. Keating,	
	Cr. High School account	200 00
19	Liberty Trust Company,	
	Interest on daily balances	22 52
		$1,435,009 41

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1926		
Jan.		
13	Austin R. Stiles,	
	Refund account 1925 taxes	$3 20
	Mabel E. Rohn,	
	Refund account 1925 taxes	5 60
22	Treasurer of Needham,	
	Transfer of Greenwood Fund Inc., 1925	553 70
	Transfer of Barr Fund Income 1925 ...	20 00
Feb.		
15	Mrs. Elizabeth R. Stevens,	
	Interest due March 1, 1926, on $7,000 4½% notes Norfolk County Hospital Loan, notes 219–225 inc.	157 50
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Interest due March 1, 1926, on $5,000 3½% Reg. Certs. 1, 2, 3, and $8,000 4% Reg. Bonds 47–54 inc., Refunding Loan	247 50
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.,	
	Coupon Interest due March 1, 1926, on $16,000 3½% and $54,000 4% Bonds Refunding Loan	1,360 00
	Holyoke Mutual Fire Insurance Co.,	
	Interest due March 1, 1926, on $7,000 4% Bonds 24–30 inc. Refunding Loan ..	140 00
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	
	Coupon Interest due 3/1/26 on $4,500 4% Bonds Public Library Loan	90 00
	Treasurer of Needham,	
	Loan to Water Department	2,000 00
Mar.		
15	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.,	
	Coupon Interest due 4/1/26 on $97,000 5% Bonds 29–135 inc. School Bldg., Loan Wm. Carter Special Act, 1921 .	2,425 00
	Coupon Interest due April 1, 1926, on $33,000 5% Bonds No. 13–45 inc. School Bldg. Loan Wm. Carter	825 00
	Bonds 13–15 inc. maturing April 1, 1926, School Bldg. Loan Wm. Carter	3,000 00
	Bonds 29–35 inc. maturing April 1, 1926, School Bldg. Loan Wm. Carter Special Act 1921	7,000 00

Mar.			
15	Coupon Interest due April 1, 1926, on $252,00 4¼% Bonds Needham School Loan Acts of 1923, Chap. 173	$5,355	00
	Bonds 29–42 inc. maturing April 1, 1926, Needham School Loan, Acts of 1923, Chapter 173	14,000	00
Apr.			
18	Ruth L. Hammersley, Refund account 1925 tax	3	20
28	Director of Accounts, Certification of tax notes Nos. 137–147 inc.	22	00
21	Treasurer of Needham, Loan to Water Department	2,500	00
May			
4	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., Discount on $50,000 tax notes @ $3.68 and $150,000 @ $3.72	4,471	60
5	Director of Accounts, Certification tax note No. 148	2	00
	Treasurer of Needham, Loan to Water Department	1,500	00
8	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., Discount on $15,000 tax note @ 3.69	372	08
25	Director of Accounts, Certification tax notes No. 149–153 inc.	10	00
12	Old Colony Trust Company, Tax notes Nos. 122 to 127 inc. $25,000 each dated May 12, 1925	150,000	00
	Tax notes Nos. 128–131 inc. $10,000 each dated May 12, 1925	40,000	00
	Tax notes Nos. 132 and 133 $5,000 each dated May 12, 1925	10,000	00
19	Treasurer of Needham, Loan to Water Department	2,500	00
June			
1	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., Discount on $90,000 tax notes @ 3.50% and $85,000 @ 3.60%	4,889	26
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Coupon Interest due June 15, 1926, on $20,000 4¼% Bonds High School Land Loan	425	00

June		
1	Coupon Interest due 6@15@1926 on $150,000 4% Bonds Sewerage Loan Act of 1924	$3,000 00
	Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924, Bonds maturing June 15, 1926	5,000 00
	($2,125 of above amount charged to Reserve for Bond Payment)	
15	Dana D. and Elizabeth H. Brayton, Trs., Interest due July 1, 1926, on $1,400 4½% note No. 207 Street Widening and Construction Loan	31 50
	Federal National Bank, Note No. 207 Street Widening and Construction Loan maturing July 1, 1926	1,400 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Interest due July 1, 1926, on $1,400 4½% note No. 208 Street Widening and Construction Loan	31 50
	Needham Trust Company, Interest due July 1, 1926, on $2,800 4½% notes Nos. 209 and 210 Street Widening and Construction Loan	63 00
	Mrs. Mary P. Webber, Interest due July 1, 1926, on 4% note No. 42 Needham School Land Loan (Green's Field)	10 00
	Note No. 42 above loan maturing July 1, 1926	500 00
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Tr. u/w Jas. Edwards, Interest due July 1, 1926, on $3,000 4% notes 43–48 inc. School Land Loan (Green's Field)	60 00
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Coupon Interest due July 1, 1926, on $18,000 4% Bonds 33–50 inc. School Bldg. Loan Palmer	360 00
	Bonds No. 33 and 34 School Bldg. Loan (Palmer maturing July 1, 1926)	2,000 00
2	Bank of Commerce & Trust Company, To open Sewer Department account	10,000 00
14	Old Colony Trust Company, Tax notes Nos. 134, 135, 136 $25,000 each dated 9/15/25 due June 14, 1926	75,000 00
29	Bank of Commerce & Trust Co., Transfer to Sewer Department account Unexp. Bal. of Sewer Commissioner, Jan. 1, 1926	2,530 29

June		
29	Transfer to Sewer Department account vote of March 15, 1926	$17,300 00
July		
28	Director of Accounts, Certification tax notes 54, 55, 57, 58, 59	10 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation tax Domestic, 1920	404 28
Aug.		
3	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., Discount on tax notes Nos. 154 and 155 @3.75%	745 82
10	Mrs. Elizabeth R. Stevens, Interest due 9/1/26 on $7,000 4½% Bonds Norfolk County Hospital Loan	157 50
	Federal National Bank, Note No. 219 Norfolk County Hospital Loan maturing September 1, 1926 ..	1,000 00
10	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Reg. Certs. Nos. 38 and 39 Water Loan maturing September 1, 1926	7,000 00
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Company, Bonds maturing September 1, 1926, Water Loan	3,000 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Interest due September 1, 1926, on $5,000 3½% Reg. Certs., 1, 2, 3, and $8,000 4% Reg. Bonds 47–54 Refunding Loan	247 50
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Company, Coupon Interest due September 1, 1926, on $16,000 3½% and $54,000 4% Bonds Refunding Loan	1,360 00
	Holyoke Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Interest due September 1, 1926, on $7,000 4% Bonds 24–30 inc. Refunding Loan	140 00
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Company, Coupon Interest due September 1, 1926, on $4,500 4% Bonds No. 12–20 inc. Public Library Loan	90 00
	Bond No. 12 Public Library Loan maturing September 1, 1926	500 00

Aug.			
10	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc.		
	Discount on $30,000 tax notes due July 27, 1927, @3.70 $1,082.25; less adjustment on $20,000 from 3.75 to 3.70 $9.94	$1,072	31
11	Director of Accounts,		
	Certification tax notes No. 165, 166, 167	6	00
20	C. D. Parker & Co. Inc.,		
	Discount on $30,000 tax notes 165, 166, 167 @3.65	964	20
Sept.			
20	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Company,		
	Coupon Interest due October 1, 1926, on $30,000 5% School Bldg. Bonds—Wm. Carter	750	00
	Coupon Interest due October 1, 1926, on $90,000 5% School Bldg. Bonds—Special Act 1921	2,250	00
	Coupon Interest due October 1, 1926, on $238,000 4¼% Bonds Needham School Loan Acts of 1923—Chapter 173	5,057	50
Oct.			
20	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,		
	1925 tax on tax title accounts	660	00
22	Treasurer Norfolk County,		
	County tax 1926	22,316	91
23	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,		
	Interest on 1925 tax on tax title accounts	45	30
27	Treasurer of Needham,		
	Loan to Water Department	3,500	00
28	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,		
	1926 tax on lots held u/ Certificate of Possession	155	41
Nov.			
2	Ernest T. Cushman,		
	Refund account 1926 tax	4	46
	Mary F. Arris,		
	Refund account 1926 tax	14	85
	Howard L. Doherty,		
	Refund account 1926 tax	2	23
26	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,		
	State Tax 2	26,760	00
	Charles River Basin Loan Fund—Interest on	548	07

Nov.		
26	Charles River Basin Loan Fund—Cost of Maintenance	$939 49
	Charles River Basin Loan Fund—Serial Bonds	47 28
	Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund —Interest on	317 87
	Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund —Cost of Maintenance	1,611 91
	Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund —Serial Bonds	4,506 13
	Metropolitan Planning Division	60 28
	Repairs State Highways	206 18
	Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund —Series 2	1,199 35
	Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund —Interest on	75 63
	Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund —Cost of Maintenance	633 51
	Metropolitan Parks Loan Sinking Fund —Serial Bonds	2,730 24
	Metropolitan Parks Loan Fund, Nantasket Maintenance	387 90
	Wellington Bridge — Cost of Maintenance	388 39
	Western Avenue and Arsenal Street Bridge	35 51
	Western Avenue Bridge	136 59
	Massachusetts Avenue Bridge	219 66
	Trust Co.'s Tax 1922	1,907 47
	Stanley B. Swaim, Refund account 1926 tax	491 93
	Berle F. and Marion L. Edwards, Refund account 1926 tax	12 00
29	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector, 1926 tax on tax title accounts	8 91
11	Old Colony Trust Company, Tax note No. 137 dated 4/23/26	924 49
	M. J. McGuinness, Return of Guarantee Deposit made November 16, 1926	50,000 00
29	Old Colony Trust Company,	3,000 00
	Tax note No. 138 dated April 23, 1926	25,000 00
	Tax note No. 139 dated April 23, 1926	10,000 00
	Tax note No. 140 dated April 23, 1926	10,000 00
	Tax note No. 141 dated April 23, 1926	5,000 00

Dec.		
1	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.,	
	Coupon Interest due December 15, 1926, $20,000 4¼% Bonds High School Land Loan	$425 00
	High School Land Bonds maturing December 15, 1926	4,000 00
	Coupon Interest due December 15, 1926, on $145,000 4% Bonds Sewerage Loan, Act of 1924	2,900 00
	Wm. and Gertrude M. Cant,	
	Refund account 1926 tax	4 46
4	Henry Godfrey, Jr., Collector,	
	Purchase tax title accounts	119 60
	1926 tax on tax title accounts	49 05
9	Mabel E. Nason,	
	Refund account 1926 tax	7 43
	John A. Tilton,	
	Refund account 1926 tax	14 85
15	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.,	
	Coupon Interest due January 1, 1927, on $16,000 4% Bonds New Primary School Bldg. Loan (Palmer)	320 00
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Tr. u/w James Edwards,	
	Interest due January 1, 1927, on $3,000 4% notes No. 43–48 inc. School Land Loan (Green's Field)	60 00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Interest due January 1, 1927, on $1,400 4½% note No. 208 Street Widening and Construction Loan	31 50
	Needham Trust Company,	
	Interest due January 1, 1927, on $2,800 4½% notes No. 209 and 210 Street Widening and Construction Loan	63 00
20	Samuel Willgoose,	
	Refund account 1926 taxes	8 17
22	Director of Accounts,	
	Certification tax notes No. 198 to 200 inc.	6 00
29	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc.	
	Discount on tax notes 198 to 200 inc. $75,000 @3.83	2,569 28
13	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	Tax note No. 142 dated April 23, 1926	25,000 00
	Tax note No. 143 dated April 23, 1926.	10,000 00
	Tax note No. 144 dated April 23, 1926.	10,000 00
	Tax note No. 145 dated April 23, 1926.	5,000 00

Dec.		
20	Tax note No. 146 dated April 23, 1926.	$25,000 00
	Tax note No. 147 dated April 23, 1926.	25,000 00
28	Tax note No. 149 dated May 25, 1926.	10,000 00
	Tax note No. 150 dated May 25, 1926.	30,000 00
	Tax note No. 151 dated May 25, 1926.	50,000 00
	Tax note No. 148 dated May 4, 1926.	15,000 00
31	Auditor's Orders for,	
	Selectmen's Department	170,726 87
	School Department	179,842 17
	Public Welfare Department	11,805 34
	Library Department	7,653 93
	Health Department	5,942 29
	Moth Department	4,448 84
	Park Department	2,062 93
	Tree Warden	875 27
	Forest Warden	49 26
	Deficiency	7,311 13
	State and Military Aid	180 00
	Board of Survey	67 29
	Sewer Department	4,621 79
	Vocational School	2,056 84
	Sewerage Construction	37,715 97
	Planning Board	275 46
	Town Nursery	237 68
	Memorial Park	1,960 15
	Norfolk County Hospital Expense	3,698 94
	Pinewood road	4,726 45
	Birds Hill Avenue	346 51
	Central Avenue	19,221 28
	Greendale Avenue Damage awards	573 75
	Webster Street Damage awards	3,642 40
	High School account	155 26
	Great Plain Avenue Damage Awards	8,203 00
	Prince Street	4,198 05
	Tax titles	5 54
		$1,267,949 72
	Cash balance December 31, 1926,	
	Needham Trust Company	27,405 94
	Needham Trust Co.—Savings Department—Sewer Betterments	19,071 35
	Old Colony Trust Company,	
	General account	98,148 80
	High School account	200 77
	Sewerage Loan Act of 1924 account	6,823 18
	Liberty Trust Company	15,409 65
		$1,435,009 41

RECAPITULATION

Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Needham January 1, 1926, to December 31, 1926

DR.

Cash on hand January 1, 1926	$174,411 76
Refund on account of Fire Department	35 00
Refund on account of Fire Alarm Department	5 50
Refund on account of Police Department	31 67
Refund on account of School Department	1,257 46
Refund on account of Public Welfare Department	6,618 95
Refund on account of Health Department	489 31
Refund on account of Library Department	576 46
Refund on account of Treasurer's Department	104 00
Refund on account of Insurance	114 65
Refund on account of Highway Department	5,051 79
Commissioners' award account Great Plain Avenue	117 10
Commissioners' award account Central Avenue	15,173 00
Taxes for 1924	2,138 49
Interest on taxes for 1924	232 08
Taxes for 1925	135,407 67
Interest on taxes for 1925	5,090 46
Taxes for 1926	379,663 27
Interest on taxes for 1926	431 79
Sidewalk tax for 1924	9 26
Sidewalk tax for 1925	1,614 04
Sidewalk tax for 1926	4,929 18
Betterment tax for 1924	1,109 34
Interest on Betterment tax for 1924	95 52
Betterment tax for 1925	8,657 16
Interest on Betterment tax for 1925	115 14
Betterment tax 1926	3,105 90
Sewer Betterments	19,006 68
Interest on Sewer Betterments	7 24
Interest on Sewer Betterments account	57 43
Special Warrants—Betterments	2,303 60
Tax Certificates	57 00
1926 tax on land taken for water purposes	676 43
Income tax 1923	294 00
Income tax 1924	372 40
Income tax 1925	1,115 00
Income tax 1926	46,787 18
Corporation tax—P. S. 1925	94 74
Corporation tax—P. S. 1926	3,627 90
Corporation tax Business—1925	1,503 18

Interest on Corporation tax 1925	$0 02
Corporation tax Business—1926	16,239 20
National Bank tax	522 71
Trust Company tax	2,350 54
Street Railway tax	14 27
State and Military Aid	308 00
Soldiers' Exemption	186 49
Charles River Basin Loan—Sinking Fund	2,670 31
Soldiers' Relief	20 00
Inspection fees	2,322 30
Dog License fees	992 31
License fees	441 51
Public Library Fines	230 02
Fines at Jail and House of Correction	1,130 50
Greenwood Fund Income	553 70
Barr Fund Income	20 00
Dwight School Fund Income	210 00
Temporary Loans to Water Department returned	8,000 00
Balance special loan to Water Department returned	16,000 00
Interest received on above	330 67
Temporary loans on 1926 taxes	545,000 00
Interest on bank balances	3,447 17
Guarantee Deposit to cover damage by blasting	3,000 00
Rental Town Hall	379 00
High School account	200 00
Tax titles released	52 93
Sewerage Construction account (Interest received)	737 50
Vocational School	1,883 44
Great Plain Avenue Damage award	656 30
	$1,430,387 62

Cr.

State tax 1926	$26,760 00
County tax 1926	22,316 91
Matured New Primary School Bonds	2,000 00
Matured School Land Loan	500 00
Matured Street Widening and Construction Loan	1,400 00
Matured Public Library Bonds	500 00
Matured County Hospital Loan	1,000 00
Matured Water Bonds	10,000 00
Matured Wm. Carter School Bonds	10,000 00
Matured High School Land Bonds	4,000 00
Matured Needham School Loan (Acts of 1923)	14,000 00

Matured Sewerage Loan (Act of 1924)	$5,000 00
Interest on New Primary School Bonds	680 00
Interest on School Land Loan	130 00
Interest on Street Widening and Construction Loan	220 50
Interest on Public Library Bonds	180 00
Interest on County Hospital Loan	315 00
Interest on Wm. Carter School Bonds	6,250 00
Interest on High School Land Bonds	850 00
Interest on Needham School Loan (Acts of 1923)	10,412 50
Interest on Sewerage Loan (Act of 1924) Bonds	5,900 00
Interest on Refunding Loan	3,495 00
Interest on Temporary Loans	15,084 55
Temporary Loans, 1925	275,000 00
Temporary Loans, 1926	305,000 00
Certification Tax notes	56 00
1925 tax on tax title accounts	660 00
Interest on 1925 tax on tax title accounts	45 30
1926 tax on lots held under Certificate of Possession	155 41
1926 tax on tax title accounts	973 54
Corporation tax—Domestic 1920	404 28
Purchase tax titles	119 60
Refund account 1925 taxes	12 00
Refund account 1926 taxes	77 36
Greenwood Fund Income 1925 (Library Department)	553 70
Barr Fund Income 1925 (Library Department)	20 00
Open Sewer Department account	29,830 29
Return Guaranty Deposit made to cover damage by blasting	3,000 00
Temporary Loans to Water Department	12,000 00
Charles River Basin Expense	1,534 84
Metropolitan Parks Expense	10,953 55
Repairs State Highways	1,199 35
Western Avenue and Arsenal Street Bridge	136 59
Western Avenue Bridge	219 66
Massachusetts Avenue Bridge	1,907 47
Trust Company tax 1922	491 93
Auditor's Orders	477,982 60
Cash on hand—December 31, 1926	167,059 69
	$1,430,387 62

$4,621 79 advanced by General Fund for Sewer Department and its subsequent return not included on either side of summary.

BOND ACCOUNT

January 1, 1927

	Outstanding	1927 Payments
New Primary School Bldg. Loan 4% Palmer School	$16,000 00	
Interest due July 1, 1927		$320 00
Maturing Bonds July 1, 1927		2,000 00
Interest due January 1, 1928		280 00
School Land Loan 4% Green's Field	3,000 00	
Interest due July 1, 1927		60 00
Maturing Bond July 1, 1927		500 00
Interest due January 1, 1928		50 00
Public Library Loan, 4%	4,000 00	
Interest due March 1, 1927		80 00
Interest due September 1, 1927		80 00
Maturing Bond September 1, 1927		500 00
Street Widening and Construction Loan 4½% High Rock Street	4,200 00	
Interest due July 1, 1927		94 50
Maturing note July 1, 1927		1,400 00
Interest due January 1, 1928		63 00
Hospital Loan, 4½% Norfolk County (Outside Debt Limit)	6,000 00	
Interest due March 1, 1927		135 00
Interest due September 1, 1927		135 00
Maturing note September 1, 1927		1,000 00
Refunding Loan, 3½%	21,000 00	
Refunding Loan, 4%	69,000 00	
Interest due March 1, 1927		1,747 50
Interest due September 1, 1927		1,747 50
Water Loan, 4% (Outside Debt Limit)	101,000 00	
Interest due March 1, 1927		2,020 00
Interest due September 1, 1927		2,020 00
Maturing Bonds September 1, 1927		10,000 00
William Carter School Loan, 5% Bonds (Inside Debt Limit)	30,000 00	
5% Bonds (Special Act 1921) (Outside Debt Limit)	90,000 00	
Interest due April 1, 1927		3,000 00
Maturing Bonds April 1, 1927		8,000 00

	Outstanding	1927 Payments
Interest due October 1, 1927		$2,800 00
High School Land Loan 4¼% ..	$16,000 00	
Interest due June 15, 1927 ..		340 00
Interest due December 15, 1927		340 00
Maturing Bonds December 15, 1927		4,000 00
Needham School Loan—4¼% (New High), Acts of 1923, Chapter 173 (Outside Debt Limit)	238,000 00	
Interest due April 1, 1927 ...		5,057 50
Maturing Bonds April 1, 1927		14,000 00
Interest due October 1, 1927		4,760 00
Sewerage Loan, 4%, Acts of 1924 (Outside Debt Limit)	145,000 00	
Interest due June 15, 1927 ..		2,900 00
Maturing Bonds June 15, 1927		5,000 00
Interest due December 15, 1927		2,800 00
Water Loan notes, 4¼% (Outside Debt Limit)	27,000 00	
Interest due June 1, 1927 ...		573 75
Maturing notes June 1, 1927		7,000 00
Interest due December 1, 1927		425 00

SUMMARY

Bonds outstanding		
Outside Debt Limit	$607,000 00	
Inside Debt Limit.	163,200 00	$770,200 00
Bonds maturing in 1927—payment from Taxation		46,400 00
Interest payments in 1927 from Taxation		26,790 00
Notes maturing 1927—payment from Water Department		7,000 00
Interest payments in 1927 from Water Department		5,038 75

DWIGHT SCHOOL FUND

Dr.

1926		
Jan. 1	Six $1,000 3½% Refunding Bonds...	$6,000 00
	Income March and September, 1926	210 00
		$6,210 00

		Cr.	
Oct.	Cash deposited in General Fund for benefit of School Department		$210 00
	Six $1,000 3½% Refunding Bonds...		6,000 00
			$6,210 10

MARY VIRGINIA HILL FUND

1926				
Jan. 1	Original Fund			$500 00
	Income 1916 to 1925 inc. .	$239 23		
	Income 1926	29 70		
				268 93
Dec. 31	Balance in Savings Department—Needham Trust Company			$768 93

GREENWOOD FUND

1926			
Jan. 1	Original Fund		$12,482 11
	Income 1917 to 1925 inc.	$4,836 74	
	Income 1926	553 70	

The income for 1917 to 1925 inclusive has been deposited in the General Fund for the benefit of the Public Library. Five hundred fifty-three dollars and seventy cents will be deposited for the benefit of the Library in 1927.

The original fund is invested as follows:

Citizens National Bank—Savings Department	$51 11
Boston Five Cents Savings Bank	1,837 82
Suffolk Savings Bank	1,833 32
Natick Five Cents Savings Bank	1,355 03
Newton Savings Bank	1,040 40
Home Savings Bank	1,191 76
West Newton Savings Bank	1,086 86
Dedham Savings Bank.....	1,085 81
Liberty Bonds 4¼'s	3,000 00
	$12,482 11

MARTHA ANN BARR FUND

1926				
Jan. 1	Original Fund (Needham Trust Co. —Savings Department)			$500 00
	Income 1920 to 1925 inc.	$113 33		
	Income 1926	20 00		

The income for 1920 to 1925 inclusive has been deposited in the General Fund for the benefit of the Public Library. Twenty dollars will be deposited for the benefit of the Library in 1927.

WATER DEPARTMENT

CHARLES E. STANWOOD, *Treasurer*,
In account with the TOWN OF NEEDHAM,
January 1, 1926, to December 31, 1926.

DR.

1926		
Jan.		
2	Cash on hand	$5,472 26
31	Water tax	509 62
	Repairs	19 23
	Department	63 43
	Miscellaneous	2 00
	Demands	1 80
Feb.		
28	Water tax	208 18
	Repairs	3 00
	Department	189 85
	Sale of pipe	13 65
	Demands	6 40
	Loan from General Fund	2,000 00
Mar.		
31	Water tax	410 42
	Repairs	349 28
	Demands	2 80
April		
30	Water tax	91 03
	Repairs	4 00
	Department	23 40
	Demands	1 40
	Loan from General Fund	2,500 00
May		
31	Water tax	2,155 35
	Repairs	26 23
	Demands	1 00
	Sale old iron	14 35
	Loans from General Fund	4,000 00
June		
30	Water tax	16,803 48
	Repairs	166 36
	Department	19 89
	Demands	2 20
	Interest on balances	24 49

July		
31	Water tax	$6,978 82
	Repairs	79 39
	Department	108 71
	Demands	1 80
Aug.		
31	Water tax	2,144 84
	Repairs	27 95
	Department	42 72
	Demands	2 05
Sept.		
30	Water tax	1,327 42
	Repairs	94 52
	Department	302 23
	Demands	1 21
Oct.		
31	Water tax	458 58
	Repairs	2 00
	Department	299 68
	Demands	40
	Loan from General Fund	3,500 00
Nov.		
30	Water tax	2,355 06
	Repairs	17 92
	Department	13 89
	Demands	5 40
	Sale of Ashes	32 58
22	C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., Water loan notes dated June 1, 1926; $4,000 due June 1, 1927, to June 1, 1929, inc.	12,000 00
	Water loan notes dated June 1, 1926; $3,000 due June 1, 1927, to June 1, 1931, inc.	15,000 00
	Premium on above	24 80
	Accrued interest on above	545 05
Dec.		
31	Water tax	6,031 54
	Repairs	43 02
	Department	928 21
	Demands	37 00
	Rent	100 00
	Sale of ashes	2 00
	Interest on balances	88 43
		$87,682 32

1926	Cr.	
Feb.		
15	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Interest due March 1, 1926, on $56,000 4% Reg. Certs. 38–50 inc. and $15,000 4% Reg. Bonds 256–270 inc. Water Loan	$1,420 00
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Coupon Interest due March 1, 1926, on $40,000 4% Water Loan Bonds	800 00
June		
24	Treasurer of Needham, Payment to General Fund in part of loan made under Article 41, March, 1924, Town Meeting	4,000 00
	Interest on above portion of loan	330 67
Aug.		
10	Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Interest due September 1, 1926, on $56,000 4% Reg. Certs. 38–50 inc. and $15,000 4% Reg. Bonds 256–270 inc.	1,420 00
	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Coupon Interest due September 1, 1926, on $40,000 4% Bonds Water Loan	800 00
Nov.		
17	Director of Accounts, Certification Water Loan notes 171–197 inc.	54 00
19	Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Coupon Interest due December 1, 1926, on $27,000 4¼% Water Loan notes 171–197 inc.	573 75
Dec.		
1	Treasurer of Needham, Payment to General Fund balance of loan made under Article 41, March, 1924, Town Meeting	12,000 00
	Temporary loans returned to General Fund	8,000 00
31	Total Auditor's Orders	51,858 34
		$81,256 76
	Balance December 31, 1926—Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	6,425 56
		$87,682 32

SUMMARY

Dr.

Cash on hand January 1, 1926	$5,472 26
Water tax	39,474 34
Repairs	832 90
Department	1,992 01
Miscellaneous	2 00
Demands	63 46
Sale of old iron	28 00
Sale of ashes	34 58
Rent	100 00
Loans from General Fund	12,000 00
Interest on balances	112 92
Water Loan notes	27,000 00
Premium on Water Loan Notes	24 80
Accrued Interest on Water Loan Notes	545 05
	$87,682 32

Cr.

Interest on Bonds	$4,440 00
Interest on Water Loan Notes	573 75
Loans from General Fund returned	24,000 00
Interest on loans from General Fund	330 67
Certification Water Loan Notes	54 00
Auditor's Orders on Department	51,858 34
Balance—December 31, 1926	6,425 56
	$87,682 32

JANUARY 1, 1927

Resources

Cash at hand	$6,425 56
Uncollected accounts	6,604 73

Liabilities

Temporary Loan from General Fund	$10,000 00

Note: Under Article 41 at the Annual Town Meeting held in March 1924, $20,000 was appropriated for the use of the Water Commissioners and the Town Treasurer was authorized to borrow this amount and pay said borrowing from earnings of the Water Department at the rate of $4,000 each year for five years. Twenty thousand dollars was advanced from the General Fund in 1924 and will be reimbursed in accordance with vote as above.

(Four thousand dollars was paid by the Water Department to the General Fund in 1925 and $4,000 in 1926.)

The balance of the above appropriation was taken care of by an issue of $12,000 4¼% Water Loan notes dated June 1, 1926, $4,000 being payable each year June 1, 1927, to June 1, 1929 inclusive.

In accordance with vote of the Town, March, 1926, there were issued

$15,000 4¼% Water Loan notes dated June 1, 1926, $3,000 being payable each year June 1, 1927, to June 1, 1931, inclusive.

The above issues, totalling $27,000 were sold to C. D. Parker & Company, Inc., and cash received on November 22, 1926, as follows:

Principal	$27,000 00
Premium	24 80
Accrued Interest	545 05

This issue is outside debt limit.

SEWER DEPARTMENT

1926 Dr.

June		
2	Treasurer of Needham,	
	Transfer from General Fund amount appropriated for House Connections under Article 33, March 15, 1926, Town Meeting	$10,000 00
28	Transfer from General Fund Balance January 1, 1926, Sewer Committee	2,530 29
	Transfer from General Fund amount appropriated for Sewer Committee under Article 6, March 15, 1926, Town Meeting	17,300 00
Dec.		
31	Total received for house connections	6,809 75
	Interest received	289 77
		$36,929 81

Cr.

July		
28	Treasurer of Needham,	
	Reimburse General Fund for payments made to and including July 1 account Sewer Department	$4,621 79
Nov.		
26	Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	
	Metropolitan Sewerage Loan Sinking Fund,	
	South System	3,127 22
	Interest on	6,119 58
	Cost of Maintenance	3,188 22
	Serial Bonds	560 00
Dec.		
31	Total Auditor's Orders	7,076 47
		$24,693 28
	Balance—Bank of Commerce & Trust Company	12,236 53
		$36,929 81

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
January 1, 1927

CURRENT RESOURCES

Cash at hand—General	$140,964 39
Uncollected tax 1925	2,828 72
Interest on same	205 08
Uncollected tax 1926	146,703 00
Interest on same	1,833 78
1926 Betterments	4,449 75
Refund account State and Military Aid	174 00
Refund account Public Welfare	1,300 00
Dog license fees	1,202 92
Temporary Loans to Water Department	10,000 00
	$309,661 64

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Temporary Loans	$240,000 00
Library Department (Special Income 1926)	573 70
Surplus War Bonus Fund (Municipal Debt)	3,792 51
Special appropriations (not expended in 1926)	5,000 00
	$249,366 21
Surplus January 1, 1927	60,295 43
	$309,661 64

NOTE: This statement is made for the purpose of showing that there is sufficient at hand to pay the current obligations as voted by the Town, and does not represent a true surplus balance.

SHOWING DEBT LIMIT

January 1, 1927

Assessors' valuation for 1924, less abatement of assessments to December 31, 1926	$14,057,234 24
Assessors' valuation for 1925, less abatement of assessments to December 31, 1926	15,695,234 72
Assessors' valuation for 1926, less abatement of assessments to December 31, 1926	17,494,865 48
Gross net valuation three years	$47,247,334 44
Average valuation	15,749,111 48
Three per cent equals	$472,473 34

Total debt of all kinds incurred and outstanding		$770,200	
Debts authorized but not yet incurred		None	
		$770,200	
Less Debt outside Debt limit itemized as follows:			
Water Debt Acts 1888, Chap. 107 and subsequent acts relating thereto	$101,000		
Water Debt—Special votes	27,000		
County Hospital, Acts 1916, Chap. 286	6,000		
School Building, Acts 1921, Chap. 26	90,000		
School Building, Acts 1923, Chap. 173	238,000		
Sewerage Loan, Acts of 1924	145,000		
		$607,000	
Total Debt outstanding plus debts authorized but not yet incurred within debt limit		$163,200	
Less Sinking Funds applicable debt within limit		None	
Leaves Net Debt plus authorized debts to be reckoned in determining Debt Limit			$163,200 00
Borrowing capacity as of December 31, 1926			$309,273 34

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. STANWOOD,

Town Treasurer.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

January 1, 1926, to January 1, 1927

	Dr.	
1924		
To balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1926	$2,265 09	
To Interest	232 08	
		$2,497 17
	Cr.	
By cash paid Town Treasurer	$2,147 75	
By Interest paid Town Treasurer	232 08	
By Abatement	117 34	
		$2,497 17

1924 Betterments

	Dr.	
To balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1926	$1,298 44	
To Interest	95 52	
		$1,393 96
	Cr.	
By cash paid Town Treasurer	$1,109 44	
By interest paid Town Treasurer	95 52	
By Abatement for reassessment	189 00	
		$1,393 96

1925

	Dr.	
To balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1926	$146,329 13	
To interest	5,090 46	
		$151,419 59
	Cr.	
By cash paid Town Treasurer	$137,021 71	
By interest paid Town Treasurer	5,090 46	
By abatement	6,478 70	
By balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1927	2,828 72	
		$151,419 59

1925 Betterments

Dr.		
To balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1926	$12,120 24	
To tax committed	4,895 05	
To interest	115 14	
		$17,130 43
Cr.		
By cash paid Town Treasurer	$6,202 22	
By interest paid Town Treasurer	115 14	
By abatement for reassessment	10,193 53	
By balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1927	619 54	
		$17,130 43

1926

Dr.		
To tax committed	$525,188 35	
To Moth Tax committed	1,452 88	
To Sidewalk Tax committed	7,496 48	
To interest to Jan. 1, 1927	431 79	
To interest accrued	1,833 78	
		$536,403 28
Cr.		
By cash paid Town Treasurer	$384,592 45	
By interest paid Town Treasurer	431 79	
By abatement	2,842 24	
By balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1927	146,703 00	
By interest uncollected Jan. 1, 1927	1,833 78	
		$536,403 28

1926 Betterments

Dr.		
To tax committed	$13,427 96	
		$13,427 96
Cr.		
By cash paid Town Treasurer	$3,105 90	
By abatement for reassessment	5,872 31	
By balance due Jan. 1, 1927	4,449 75	
		$13,427 96

Special Betterment Warrants

Dr.

By warrants committed	$2,303 60	
		$2,303 60

Cr.

By cash paid Town Treasurer ..	$2,303 60	
		$2,303 60

Dr.

To interest on bank balances ...	$451 45	
To Tax Certificates.....	57 00	
		$508 45

Cr.

By cash paid Town Treasurer ..	$508 45	
		$508 45

1926 Sewer Assessment

Dr.

To warrants committed	$64,351 44	
To interest	23 92	
		$64,375 36

Cr.

By cash paid Town Treasurer ..	$18,990 00	
By interest paid Town Treasurer	23 92	
By abatement	7,375 58	
By abatement for reassessment .	19,904 76	
Balance uncollected Jan. 1, 1927	18,081 10	
		$64,375 36

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY GODFREY, Jr.

Collector.

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Receipts and Expenditures for the Year Ending December 31, 1926

RECEIPTS

General Revenue		
Taxes for 1924 and 1925		
Poll	$370 00	
Personal	11,112 47	
Real	125,784 08	
		$137,266 55
Taxes, 1926		
Poll	$5,080 00	
Personal	45,076 05	
Real	328,381 00	
		378,537 05
From State		
Corporation Tax	$21,465 02	
Street Railway Tax	14 27	
National Bank Tax	2,873 25	
Income Tax	48,568 58	
Highway Tax	18 79	
Tax on land for water purposes	676 43	
Soldiers' Exemptions	186 49	
Charles River Basin Sinking Fund	2,670 31	
		76,473 14
Special Assessments		
Moth Assessment	$1,405 83	
Sidewalk Assessment	6,552 48	
Betterment Assessment	15,176 00	
Sewer Assessment	19,006 68	
Sewer Trust Funds	6,809 75	
		48,950 74
Licenses		
Junk	$4 00	
Sunday Sales	112 50	
Victuallers'	27 50	
Hawkers' and Pedlers'	22 00	
Milk	26 50	
Pool and Billiards	60 00	
All others	105 00	
		357 50
Fines		
Court and Jail Fines	$1,130 50	
		1,130 50

DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS

Tax Collector		
Release of Tax Titles and Certifications	$106 96	
		106 96
Town Hall and Grounds		
Rent of Hall	$379 00	
		379 00
Carried forward		$643,201 44

Brought forward		$643,201 44
Police Department		
Junk Sold	$20 30	
Telephone tolls	2 75	
Service of officer	3 00	
		26 05
Fire Department		
Causing fires	35 00	
		35 00
Fire Alarm Department		
Junk sold	5 50	
		5 50
Inspection Department		
Building fees	$625 00	
Plumbing fees	372 50	
Wiring fees	1,112 80	
Sealing fees	84 01	
Cesspool fees	212 00	
		2,406 31
Department of Public Welfare		
Reimbursements from		
Individuals	$1,241 74	
State	2,257 04	
Boston	3,035 17	
		6,533 95
State Aid	$162 00	
Military Aid	140 00	
		302 00
School Department		
Tuition of State Wards	$181 52	
Other tuition	985 87	
Rent	81 16	
Empty barrels	4 00	
School supplies	1 31	
		1,253 86
Vocational Tuition	$1,838 39	
		1,838 39
Board of Health		
Reimbursement from		
State	$345 71	
Boston	93 60	
Receipt sale of auto	50 00	
		489 31
Public Library		
Receipts from fines	$230 02	
		230 02
Carried forward		$656,321 83

Brought forward		$656,321 83
GRANTS AND GIFTS		
Norfolk County		
Dog Taxes	$992 31	
Awards Central Avenue	15,290 10	
		16,282 41
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Award Central Avenue	$4,840 00	
Smith-Hughes Fund	45 05	
		4,885 05
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS		
Temporary tax loans		$545,000 00
INTEREST		
On deposits	$4,125 26	
On deferred taxes	5,922 85	
On Greenwood and Barr Funds	573 50	
On Dwight School Fund	210 00	
On sewer construction balances	737 50	
On Betterments	52 35	
		11,621 46
REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS		
Refund on Water Department Insurance	$100 00	
Refund on insurance premiums	14 65	
Repayment by Water Department on account of notes	16,000 00	
On account of temporary loans	8,000 00	
Checks cancelled	656 30	
Refund account High School Building	200 00	
Transfer of pipe to Sewer House connections	1,670 92	
		26,641 87
Cash on hand January 1, 1926		
General Fund	128,329 08	
High School Building Fund	156 03	
Sewerage Construction Fund	45,926 65	
		174,411 76
		$1,435,164 38
PAYMENTS		
General Government:		
Selectmen's Department		
Salaries of Board	$450 00	
Salaries of clerks	1,480 00	
Stationery and office supplies	108 16	
Printing and advertising	19 72	
Expense of Town Meetings	154 05	
Expense of Transportation Committee	470 75	
Telephones	94 51	
Repairs on typewriter	22 92	
Miscellaneous	9 00	
		$2,809 11
Carried forward		$2,809 11

Brought forward			$2,809 11
Appropriation	$2,410 00		
Transfer from Reserve Fund	400 00		
	$2,810 00		
Accounting Department			
Salary		$1,700 00	
Stationery and office supplies		126 14	
Transfer cases		21 25	
			1,847 39
Appropriation	$1,850 00		
Finance Committee			
Printing reports and postage		$227 00	
			227 00
Appropriation	$250 00		
Treasurer's Department			
Salary		$900 00	
Clerk		100 00	
Stationery and office supplies		187 89	
Telephone		16 25	
Bond		165 00	
			1,369 14
Appropriation	$1,375 00		
Town Clerk's Department			
Salary		$250 00	
Recording fees		350 50	
Stationery and office supplies		111 31	
Telephone		20 99	
Bond		4 00	
Set of "General Laws"		21 28	
Bookcase units		23 70	
Express		50	
			782 28
Appropriation	$800 00		
Election and Registration			
Salary of Registrars		$300 00	
Election officers		433 25	
Printing and advertising		464 15	
Meals		63 00	
Posting warrants		10 00	
			1,270 40
Appropriation	$1,400 00		
Collector's Department			
Commissions		$2,121 92	
Bond		330 00	
Telephone		48 20	
Adding machine		245 00	
			2,745 12
Appropriation	$2,750 00		
Carried forward			$11,050 44

Brought forward			$11,050 44
Assessors' Department			
Salaries of Board		$3,000 00	
Salary of Clerk		1,144 00	
Stationery and office supplies		244 49	
Printing and advertising		31 50	
Poll Tax Lists		329 20	
Abstracts		194 94	
Auto valuation book		12 50	
Transportation		188 50	
Telephones		56 87	
Block plans		500 00	
Express		2 00	
			5,704 00
Appropriation	$5,704 00		
Town Hall and Grounds			
Salary Janitor		$1,560 00	
Extra labor		5 20	
Police duty		30 00	
Fuel		488 13	
Water		18 16	
Janitor's supplies		29 80	
Repairs		993 62	
Moving piano		70 00	
Removal of ashes		11 10	
Upkeep of grounds		264 20	
Sewer connections		154 04	
			3,624 25
Appropriation	$3,325 00		
Transfer from Reserve Fund	300 00		
	$3,625 00		
Receipts from rentals	379 00		

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department			
Salaries—Chief	$2,384 72		
Regular officers	13,655 10		
Special officers	853 76		
		$16,893 58	
Lockup charges		60 35	
Silent policemen		464 61	
Equipment for men		84 25	
Other equipment		235 32	
Auto expenses		947 22	
Stationery and office supplies		43 75	
Telephones		223 84	
Spotter evidence		86 80	
Office repairs		10 76	
Laundry		7 50	
			19,057 98
Appropriation	$18,862 00		
Transfer from Reserve Fund	200 00		
	$19,062 00		
Carried forward			$39,436 67

Brought forward			$39,436 67
Receipts from fines	1,130 50		
Junk sold	20 30		
Telephone tolls	3 05		
Service of officer	3 00		
	$1,156 85		
Fire Department			
Salaries—Engineers	$400 00		
Chief	2,101 24		
Regular men	12,143 78		
Call-men	3,470 59		
Paid service	248 92		
		$18,364 53	
Auto expenses		367 52	
Equipment and repairs		1,500 81	
Fuel		401 02	
Laundry		76 45	
Light		55 05	
Telephones		94 55	
Supplies		48 37	
Stationery and printing		64 00	
Insurance		72 09	
House repairs		201 99	
House furnishings		111 66	
Water		24 82	
Removal of ashes		4 00	
Badges		10 00	
Horses for fires		10 00	
			21,406 86
Appropriation	$21,620 00		
Receipts Causing fires	35 00		
Fire Alarm Department			
Equipment and repairs		$1,175 58	
Power for whistle		127 62	
Auto expenses		49 73	
Tools and supplies		15 72	
Compensation Insurance		32 38	
Lumber and labor		3 30	
Printing		11 45	
			1,415 78
Appropriation	$1,537 00		
Receipts, sale of junk	5 50		
Forest Warden			
Salary Warden		$100 00	
Advertising		33 77	
			133 77
Appropriation	$145 00		
Tree Warden			
Salary Warden		$288 00	
Labor		426 66	
Tools and supplies		8 65	
Trees		202 59	
Chemicals		17 75	
Carried forward		$943 65	$62,393 08

Brought forward		$943 65	$62,393 08
Auto expenses		19 25	
Moving tree		15 00	
Drain pipe		88	
			978 78
Appropriation	$1,000 00		

Inspection Department

Salaries			
Building Inspector	$400 00		
Plumbing Inspector	506 20		
Wiring Inspector	845 90		
Cesspool Inspector	134 00		
Cattle Inspector	150 00		
Sealer of Weights and Measures	200 00		
		$2,236 10	
Printing and advertising		13 42	
Telephones		56 00	
Stationery and postage		25 75	
Gasoline		42 01	
Badge		2 00	
Team hire		27 00	
Measures		22 39	
			2,424 67
Appropriation	$2,500 00		
Receipts			
Building fees	$625 00		
Plumbing fees	372 50		
Wiring fees	1,112 80		
Cesspool fees	212 00		
Sealing fees	84 01		
	$2,406 31		

Moth Department

Salary Superintendent		$1,376 00	
Labor		1,921 38	
Equipment and repairs		10 60	
Insecticides		263 33	
Tools and supplies		14 11	
Auto expenses		305 93	
Rent		198 00	
Teams		177 96	
Printing and stationery		16 41	
Telephones		22 40	
Insurance		128 60	
		$4,434 72	
Charged to public work			2,987 34
Charged to private work			1,447 38
Appropriation			
Public work	$3,000 00		
Private work	2,000 00		
Carried forward			$70,231 25

Brought forward			$70,231 25

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health			
Salaries—Agent	$1,299 96		
Nurse	349 98		
Clerk	150 00		
		$1,799 94	
Transportation		300 00	
Stationery and office supplies		64 22	
Printing and advertising		3 60	
Hospital expenses, contagious diseases		1,496 30	
Auto expenses		81 54	
Expense of Clinic		96 67	
Labor on dumps		290 25	
Mailing cases		9 77	
			4,142 29
Appropriation	$4,246 00		
Receipts from State	345 71		
Boston	93 60		
Milk licenses	26 50		
Auto sold	50 00		
		$515 81	
Removal of Garbage			
Contract		$1,800 00	
			1,800 00
Appropriation	$1,800 00		

CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Department of Public Welfare			
Salary of Agent		$300 00	
Stationery and office supplies		13 66	
Coal and wood		212 78	
Board and care		3,961 92	
Medical attendance		240 92	
Rent		132 00	
Burial expenses		250 00	
Commitment charges		12 95	
Clothing and furniture		54 00	
Groceries and provisions		12 00	
Outside relief			
Needham		3,563 95	
State		235 42	
Other cities		15 00	
Mothers' Aid			
Needham		1,463 32	
State		1,252 42	
			11,720 34
Appropriation	$13,500 00		
Reimbursements			
State	$2,257 04		
Individuals	1,241 74		
Boston	3,035 17		
	$6,533 95		
Carried forward			$87,893 88

Brought forward			$87,893 88
State Aid			
Allowances		$174 00	
			174 00
Appropriation	$300 00		
Soldiers' Relief			
Allowances		$524 00	
			524 00
Appropriation	500 00		
Transfer from Reserve Fund	19 00		
	$519 00		

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

General			
Superintendent	$1,205 61		
Engineer	34 46		
Telephone	147 27		
Printing and Stationery	26 96		
		$1,414 30	
Labor	$2,232 88		
Teams	523 00		
Equipment and repairs	2,031 39		
Auto expenses	1,715 54		
Stone and gravel	16 56		
Tarvia	1,427 94		
Tools and supplies	1,156 31		
Fuel	205 89		
Insurance	893 43		
Repairs on shed roof	42 37		
Labor on Green's Field	150 00		
Traffic stand	66 00		
Pipe and cement	4 50		
First aid kit	1 81		
Office lighting	6 60		
Blue print	84		
		10,475 06	
Street Repairs			
Labor	$6,762 74		
Teams	3,207 00		
Tarvia	9,426 36		
Crushed stone and gravel	6,434 45		
Coal	4 64		
		25,835 19	
Street Cleaning			
Labor	$2,039 00		
Teams	598 50		
		2,637 50	
Drainage			
Labor	$540 50		
Teams	57 00		
Grates and frames	228 00		
Carried forward	$825 50		$88,591 88

Brought forward	$825 50		$88,591 88
Pipe and lumber	539 14		
Tools and supplies	36 00		
		$1,400 64	
Signs			
Labor	$ 42 00		
New signs	715 25		
Zone paint	157 86		
		915 11	
Fences and Bridges			
Labor	$248 00		
Lumber and supplies	270 49		
Posts	118 75		
Extra labor	312 25		
		949 49	
Crusher			
Labor	$405 25		
Teams	49 00		
Machinery repairs	593 75		
Repairs carpentry	1,000 00		
Coal	35 55		
		2,083 55	
Appropriation	$45,000 00		45,710 84
Transfer from Reserve Fund	1,000 00		
Sidewalks			
Superintendent		$175 00	
Engineer		232 71	
Labor		1,415 25	
Teams		1,156 50	
Contractor		8,846 29	
Tools and supplies		2 90	
Loam and gravel		694 04	
Tarvia		121 50	
Lumber and cement		25 77	
Grass seed		20 69	
Curbing		20 00	
Recording fees		11 31	
			12,721 96
Appropriation	$13,500 00		
REMOVAL OF SNOW			
Superintendent		$553 90	
Labor		6,494 25	
Teams		1,289 00	
Plowing		5,294 61	
Equipment and repairs		1,239 18	
Auto expenses		577 70	
Sand		114 60	
Lumber		56 65	
Tools and supplies		208 24	
Tractor hire		100 00	
			15,928 13
Appropriation	$12,600 00		
Carried forward			$162,952 81

Brought forward		$162,952 81

CENTRAL AVENUE
(Reconstruction)

Superintendent	$562 50	
Labor	8,149 59	
Teams	3,336 00	
Equipment and repairs	140 19	
Stone and gravel	1,390 12	
Sand	437 21	
Tarvia	2,127 08	
Coal	337 20	
Frames and covers	118 50	
Drain pipe and bricks	816 30	
Explosives	125 26	
Tools and supplies	129 98	
Use of steam shovel	1,093 00	
Use of roller	31 62	
Culvert	61 56	
Guttermouths	96 00	
Replacing hydrant	323 07	
		19,275 18
Appropriation $10,000 00		
Award by State 4,840 00		
Award by County 4,840 00		
$19,680 00		

MAIN DRAINS

Superintendent	$168 75	
Engineer	20 00	
Labor	2,145 45	
Teams	192 00	
Drain pipe	2,147 84	
Grates and frames	306 00	
Tools and supplies	19 96	
		5,000 00
Appropriation $5,000 00		

PRINCE STREET

Superintendent	$112 50	
Engineer	61 55	
Labor	820 81	
Teams	366 00	
Stone and gravel	1,831 58	
Tarvia	977 63	
Tools and supplies	6 96	
Gas and oil	74 29	
Coal	32 23	
Signs	38 00	
Legal fees	4 50	
		4,326 05
Appropriation $7,000 00		

GREAT PLAIN AVENUE SIDEWALK

Superintendent	112 50	
Engineer	11 00	
Carried forward	$123 50	$191,554 04

Brought forward		$ 123 56	$191,554 04
Labor		1,214 00	
Teams		805 50	
Stone and gravel		356 83	
			2,499 83
Appropriation	$2,500 00		

PINEWOOD ROAD

Superintendent		$132 25	
Engineer		72 00	
Labor		2,056 25	
Teams		890 00	
Stone and gravel		416 66	
Tarvia		817 66	
Explosives		142 35	
Signs		38 00	
Gas and oil		81 35	
Coal		111 13	
Tools and supplies		3 00	
Grass seed		9 70	
Legal fees		12 75	
			4,783 10
Appropriation	$7,000 00		

BIRDS HILL AVENUE

Section No. 1			
Engineering		$204 67	
Serving notices		4 00	
			208 67
Appropriation	$9,000 00		
Section No. 2			
Engineering		$136 44	
Serving notices		1 40	
			137 84
Appropriation	$3,500 00		

STREET LIGHTING

The Edison Electric Illuminating Co.		$16,166 18	
			16,166 18
Appropriation	18,000 00		

GREENDALE AVENUE DAMAGE AWARDS

George J. Pfeiffer, *et als.* Awards		$573 75	
			573 75

To be refunded by County.

WEBSTER STREET DAMAGE AWARDS

Elizabeth P. Cochrane, *et als.*		$3,642 40	
			3,642 40

To be refunded by County.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

General expenses	$1,399 87		
Superintendent of Schools and enforcement of law	4,116 68		
Other expenses	314 22		
		$5,830 77	
Carried forward		$5,830 70	$219,565 81

	Superintendent	Engineer	Labor	Teams	Sand and Gravel	Tarvia and Binder	Crushed Stone	Equipment and Repairs	Autos and Tractors	Tools and Supplies	Coal	Lumber and Cement	Pipe and Bricks	Grates and Frames	Insurance	Contractors	Plowing	Signs	Extra Labor	Use of Equipment	Misc.	Total
General Highway	$1,205 61	$34 46	$2,232 88	$523 00	$16 56	$1,427 94	.....	$2,031 39	$1,715 54	$1,156 31	$205 89	.....	.....	.....	$893 43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$446 35	$11,889 36
Sidewalks	175 00	232 71	1,415 25	1,156 50	694 04	121 50	.....	.....	.....	2 90	.....	$25 77	.....	.....	.....	$8,846 29	.....	.....	.....	.....	52 00	12,721 96
Removal of Snow	553 90	.....	6,494 25	1,289 00	114 60	.....	.....	1,239 18	577 70	208 24	.....	56 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	$5,294 61	.....	.....	$100 00	.....	15,928 13
Street Repairs																						
Tar Patching	.....	.....	5,575 74	2,637 00	3,447 33	8,166 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,826 20
Mark Lee Road	.....	.....	931 00	384 00	905 62	537 83	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,763 09
Central Avenue	.....	.....	38 00	54 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	92 00
Forest Street	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	675 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	675 00
Great Plain Avenue	.....	.....	.....	.....	131 62	47 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	179 02
South Street	.....	.....	218 00	132 00	.....	.....	$1,949 88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,299 88
Drainage	.....	.....	540 50	57 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 00	.....	.....	539 14	$228 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,400 64
Signs	.....	.....	42 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	389 24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$873 11	.....	.....	.....	915 11
Fences	.....	.....	206 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$312 25	.....	.....	907 49
Crusher Expenses	.....	.....	405 25	49 00	.....	.....	.....	1,593 75	.....	.....	35 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,083 55
Street Cleaning	.....	.....	2,039 00	598 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,637 50
Total	$1,934 51	$267 17	$20,137 87	$6,880 00	$5,309 77	$10,975 80	$1,949 88	$4,864 32	$2,293 24	$1,403 45	$246 08	$471 66	$539 14	$228 00	$893 43	$8,846 29	$5,294 61	$873 11	$312 25	$100 00	$498 35	$74,360 93
Special Appropriations																						
Central Avenue	$562 50	.....	8,149 59	$3,336 00	$437 21	$2,127 08	$1,390 12	140 19	.....	129 98	337 20	.....	816 30	276 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,124 62	448 33	19,275 18
Prince Street	112 50	$61 55	820 81	366 00	.....	977 63	1,831 58	.....	74 29	6 96	32 23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 50	4,326 05
Pinewood Road	132 25	72 00	2,056 25	890 00	.....	817 66	416 66	.....	81 35	3 00	111 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38 00	.....	.....	164 80	4,783 10
Mains Drains	168 75	20 00	2,145 45	192 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 96	.....	.....	2,147 84	306 00	.....	.....	.....	38 00	.....	.....	.....	5,000 00
Great Plain Avenue Walk	112 50	11 00	1,214 00	805 50	.....	.....	356 83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,499 83
Birds Hill Avenue No. 1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	208 67	208 67
Birds Hill Avenue No. 2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	137 84	137 84
Total	$3,023 01	$431 72	$34,523 97	$12,469 50	$5,746 98	$14,898 17	$5,945 07	$5,004 51	$2,448 88	$1,563 35	$726 64	$471 66	$3,503 28	$810 06	$893 43	$8,846 29	$5,294 61	$949 11	$312 25	$1,224 62	$1,462 49	$110,591 60

Brought forward		$5,830 77	$219,565 81
Expenses of Instruction			
Supervisors	$5,030 00		
Principals, High	3,230 97		
Principals, Elementary	13,198 00		
Teachers, High	32,543 86		
Teachers, Elementary	70,746 75		
Text books, High	857 12		
Text books, Elementary	1,638 64		
Stationery, High	1,463 96		
Stationery, Elementary	3,530 60		
		$132,239 90	
Wages of Janitors, High	$3,151 04		
Wages of Janitors, Elementary	8,105 38		
Fuel, High	1,297 11		
Fuel, Elementary	7,066 21		
Miscellaneous, High	261 24		
Miscellaneous, Elementary	2,022 73		
		21,903 71	
Repairs, High	$669 59		
Repairs, Elementary	5,515 01		
		6,184 60	
Health	$1,975 13		
Transportation	3,749 30		
		5,724 43	
Tuition	$470 00		
Sundries	3,152 25		
		3,622 25	
New grounds	$1,784 77		
New equipment	1,066 91		
		2,851 68	
Vocational Tuition	$32 50		
Sewer connections	1,279 23		
		1,311 73	
			179,669 07
Appropriation	$179,484 00		
Dwight Fund	210 00		
Receipts			
Tuition of State Wards	182 52		
Other tuition	985 87		
Rent	81 16		
Empty barrels	4 00		
School supplies	1 31		
	$1,254 86		
Vocational Tuition			
Paid City of Boston		$131 52	
Paid City of Newton		1,925 32	
			2,056 84
Appropriation	$2,500 00		
Reimbursement from State	1,838 39		
Carried forward			$401,291 72

Brought forward			$401,291 72
New High School Building			
Balance of payments on plumbing contract		$155 26	155 26
Balance from 1925	$156 03		
Refunded on contract	200 00		
	$356 03		

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Salaries			
Librarian	$1,584 00		
Assistants	1,889 10		
Janitor	540 00		
Moving books	90 00		
		$4,103 10	
Books		1,600 60	
Periodicals		214 53	
Binding		215 10	
Cards		22 12	
Repairs		207 24	
Furnishings		77 47	
Fuel		1,004 00	
Removal of ashes		15 60	
Water		21 76	
Telephone		39 65	
Stationery and office supplies		126 70	
Express		5 96	
Travelling expenses, Librarian		15 00	
Miscellaneous		1 84	
			7,670 67
Appropriation	$6,105 00		
Dog tax	992 31		
Income Greenwood and Barr Funds	573 70		
	$7,671 01		
Receipts from fines	230 02		

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Park Department			
Bathhouse supervision		$110 00	
Equipment and repairs		213 62	
Labor and improvement of parks		1,749 43	
Water		14 75	
Police duty		11 00	
Advertising		1 20	
			2,100 00
Appropriation	$2,100 00		
Memorial Day			
Music		$150 00	
Flowers		31 00	
Flags		32 80	
Ice cream cones		18 10	
			231 90
Appropriation	$300 00		
Carried forward			$411,449 55

Brought forward		$411,449 55
Board of Survey		
Clerk	$30 00	
Advertising	5 65	
Office supplies	31 64	
		67 29
Appropriation $100 00		
Insurance Department		
Premiums paid	$2,493 16	
		2,493 16
Appropriation $2,600 00		
Unclassified		
Town Reports, printing	918 70	
Town Reports, distributing	35 00	
Certification of notes	56 00	
Legal expenses	984 29	
Damage awards	9,176 75	
Engineer	661 02	
Dog officer	35 00	
Ringing bells, July 4th	9 00	
Wiring Christmas Tree	50 00	
Advertising By-Laws	32 74	
Massachusetts Digest	89 50	
		12,048 00
Appropriation $12,166 75		
Town Planning Board		
Advertising and stationery	$31 98	
Blue prints	1 44	
Teaming	1 00	
Dues Massachusetts Federation	10 00	
Maps of Needham	216 04	
		260 46
Appropriation $400 00		
Memorial Park		
Labor on park	$969 68	
Cinders	928 00	
Blasting	47 22	
Equipment and repairs	16 25	
		1,961 15
Appropriation $2,000 00		
Norfolk County Hospital		
Assessment	$3,698 94	
		3,698 94
Appropriation $3,698 94		
Town Nursery		
Trees	$66 80	
Labor	110 72	
Freight	7 91	
Tools and supplies	29 75	
Teaming	22 50	
		237 68
Appropriation $300 00		
Carried forward		$432,216 23

Brought forward			$432,216 23
Care of Soldiers' Graves			
Paid Needham Cemetery Association		$396 59	
			396 59
Appropriation	$400 00		
Deficiencies 1925			
Overdrafts for 1925			
Removal of snow	$95 57		
Interest on tax loans	5,079 33		
Interest on funded loans	2,716 66		
	$7,891 56		
Town Clerk		$9 19	
Tax Collector		336 45	
Board of Assessors		112 64	
Town Hall and grounds		119 80	
Police		13 46	
Fire		224 18	
Fire Alarm		7 31	
Inspection		7 13	
Moth		4 18	
Board of Health		124 54	
Public Welfare		291 94	
Schools		563 68	
Vocational Tuition		368 16	
Library		19 78	
Highway		1,712 46	
Removal of snow		99 36	
Street lighting		1,668 40	
Unclassified		1,285 51	
Insurance		293 64	
Planning Board		22 48	
			7,284 29
Appropriation	$15,100 00		
Transfer from Reserve Fund	450 00		
	$15,550 00		
Overdrafts paid in 1925	7,891 56		
	$7,658 44		

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

Interest on Temporary Loans			
Discount on Tax Notes		$15,084 55	
			$15,084 55
Appropriation	$10,000 00		
Interest on Funded Loans			
William Carter School		$6,250 00	
New High School building		10,412 50	
Refunding Loans		3,495 00	
Public Library		180 00	
Norfolk County Hospital		315 00	
High School Land		850 00	
Stephen Palmer School		680 00	
Carried forward		$22,182 50	$454,981 66

Brought forward		$22,182 50	$454,981 66
School Land (Green's Field)		130 00	
Sewerage Construction		5,900 00	
Street Widening and Construction		220 50	
			28,433 00
Appropriation	$26,308 00		

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

William Carter School		$10,000 00	
New High School Building		14,000 00	
Stephen Palmer School		2,000 00	
School Land (Green's Field)		500 00	
Norfolk County Hospital		1,000 00	
Water Loans		10,000 00	
Public Library		500 00	
High School Land		4,000 00	
Sewerage Construction		2,875 00	
Street Widening and Construction		1,400 00	
			46,275 00
Appropriation	$48,400 00		
Sewer Construction			
Contracts			
L. Balboni	$17,743 88		
F. H. Street Co.	7,348 98		
Engineers	4,062 60		
		$29,155 46	
Legal service		384 43	
Labor		951 10	
Teams		24 00	
Highway Superintendent		36 50	
Stone and gravel		939 73	
Sewer pipe		3,422 57	
Tarvia		1,260 92	
Bricks and cement		108 25	
Underpass at railroad		1,259 57	
Clerical assistance		20 64	
Blueprints		24 00	
Water		91 42	
Tools and supplies		37 38	
			37,715 97
Balance Jan. 1, 1926	$43,801 65		
Interest on balances	737 50		
	$44,539 15		
Sewer Committee, Maintenance			
Superintendent		$1,480 26	
Labor		213 41	
Clerk		270 00	
Stationery and advertising		641 45	
Legal services		135 50	
Equipment and repairs		1,386 09	
Auto expenses		738 97	
Telephone		43 70	
Office equipment		110 50	
Carried forward		$5,019 88	$567,405 63

Brought forward		$5,019 88	$567,405 63
Office lighting		22 00	
Travelling expenses		3 58	
Plans		56 70	
			5,102 16
Appropriation	$19,830 29		
Transfer of pipe to house connections	1,670 92		
	$21,501 21		
Less Metropolitan Sewerage tax	12,995 02		
	$8,506 19		
Sewer Department			
House Connections			
Labor		$4,347 62	
Superintendent		208 33	
Materials		2,428 88	
Tools and supplies		668 43	
Cleaning cesspool		10 00	
Rent of storage space		74 00	
Office supplies		4 10	
Auto expenses		25 75	
			7,767 11
Loan from General Fund	$10,000 00		
Advance payments	6,809 75		
Interest on balances	289 77		
	$17,099 52		
Less refunds on account of over payments	499 91		
	$16,599 61		
Premium Reserve Account			
Transferred to payment on Sewer Construction Bonds		$2,125 00	
			2,125 00
Balance from 1925	$2,125 00		

TAXES AND REFUNDS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
State Tax	$26,760 00	
Charles River Basin Tax	1,534 84	
Metropolitan Parks Tax	10,747 37	
State Highway Tax	1,199 35	
Metropolitan Planning Board Tax	206 18	
Charles River Basin Bridges	2,263 72	
Metropolitan Sewerage Tax	12,995 02	
Norfolk County Tax	22,316 91	
Temporary Tax Loans	580,000 00	
Taxes refunded	89 36	
Purchase of Tax Titles	119 60	
Taxes on Tax Titles	1,834 25	
Registering Deeds	5 54	
Carried forward	$660,072 14	$582,399 90

Brought forward	$660,072 14	$582,399 90
Corporation Tax	404 28	
National Bank Tax	491 93	
Refund of Overpayments on Sewer, House Connections	499 91	
		661,468 26

TEMPORARY LOANS FROM GENERAL FUND

Water Department	$12,000 00	
		12,000 00

CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1926

General Fund	$141,254 16	
High School Building Fund	200 77	
Sewerage Construction Fund	6,823 18	
Sewerage Maintenance Fund	11,946 76	
Sewerage Assessments Fund	19,071 35	
		179,296 22
		$1,435,164 38

RESERVE FUND

Transfers to		
Board of Selectmen	$400 00	
Town Hall and grounds	300 00	
Police Department	200 00	
Deficiencies 1925	450 00	
Soldiers' Relief	19 00	
Highway Department	1,000 00	
		$2,369 00
Appropriation $2,500 00		

TRIAL BALANCE

Cash, General	$179,296 22	
Loans, Water Department	10,000 00	
Taxes, 1925	2,643 78	
Taxes, 1926	143,860 55	
Moth Taxes, 1925	50 69	
Moth Taxes, 1926	319 16	
Sidewalk Taxes, 1925	134 25	
Sidewalk Taxes, 1926	2,523 29	
Betterment Taxes, 1925	619 54	
Betterment Taxes, 1926	4,449 75	
Overlay Reserve		1,483 92
Overlays, 1925	1,041 65	
Overlays, 1926		7,073 25
Tax Titles	5,673 04	
Tax Deeds	4,207 25	
Department Bills Receivable	3,543 75	
Departmental Revenue		3,543 75
Excess and Deficiency		72,870 22
Moth Assessment Revenue		369 85
Temporary Tax Loans		240,000 00
Bakers Bridge		5,000 00
Removal of Snow	3,328 13	
Webster Street Awards	3,642 40	
Greendale Avenue Awards	573 75	
New High School Building		200 77
Soldiers' Relief	5 00	
Interest on Tax Loans	5,084 55	
Interest on Funded Loans	2,125 00	
Sewerage Construction		6,823 18
Sewerage Committee		3,404 03
Carried forward	$373,121 75	$340,768 97

Brought forward		$340,768 97
Sewer Department House Connections		8,832 50
Sewer Department Assessments		18,990 00
Sewer Department Interest		81 35
Special Trust Fund Income		573 70
Smith-Hughes Fund		82 72
Surplus War Bonus Fund		3,792 51
	$373,121 75	$373,121 75

DISTRIBUTION OF TAX RATE FOR 1926

State Tax	$2.057
County Tax	1.075
Norfolk County Hospital	.178
Sewerage Tax	.626
Overlays	.484
Interest on Temporary Loans	.482
Interest on Funded Loans	1.267
Municipal Indebtedness	2.331
Insurance	.125
Deficiencies, 1925	.727
Schools	8.644
Highways	2.167
Fire Department	1.041
Police Department	.908
Street Lighting	.867
Sidewalks	.650
Public Welfare	.650
Removal of Snow	.607
Unclassified	.586
Central Avenue (Reconstruction)	.482
Prince Street	.337
Pinewood Road	.337
Public Library	.294
Board of Assessors	.275
Main Drains	.242
Sewerage Committee (Maintenance)	.207
Board of Health	.205
Town Hall and Grounds	.160
Moth Department	.145
Tax Collector	.132
Inspection Department	.121
Vocational Tuition	.121
Reserve Fund	.121
Great Plain Avenue Sidewalk	.121
Board of Selectmen	.116
Park Department	.101
Memorial Park	.096
Accounting Department	.089
Removal of Garbage	.087
Fire Alarm Department	.074
Board of Registrars	.067
Treasury Department	.066
State, Military Aid and Soldiers Relief	.053
Tree Warden	.048
Town Clerk's Department	.038
Town Planning Board	.019
Care of Soldiers Graves	.019
Memorial Day	.015
Town Nursery	.015
Finance Committee	.012
Forest Warden	.008
Board of Survey	.005
Total	$29.70

DEBT STATEMENT

Also Amounts Due for Principal and Interest During the Year 1926

LOANS	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1926	Paid in 1926	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926	Due in 1927 Principal	Interest
Refunding 3½%	$21,000 00	.....	$21,000 00	.....	$735 00
Refunding 4%	69,000 00	.....	69,000 00	.....	2,760 00
Stephen Palmer School	18,000 00	2,000 00	16,000 00	2,000 00	600 00
School Land	3,500 00	500 00	3,000 00	500 00	110 00
Public Library	4,500 00	500 00	4,000 00	500 00	160 00
Street W dening and Construction	5,600 00	1,400 00	4,200 00	1,400 00	157 50
Norfolk County Hospital	7,000 00	1,000 00	6,000 00	1,000 00	270 00
Water Bonds	111,000 00	10,000 00	101,000 00	10,000 00	4,040 00
William Carter School	130,000 00	10,000 00	120,000 00	8,000 00	5,800 00
High School Land	20,000 00	4,000 00	16,000 00	4,000 00	680 00
New High School	252,000 00	14,000 00	238,000 00	14,000 00	9,817 50
Sewer Construction	150,000 00	5,000 00	145,000 00	5,000 00	5,700 00
Water Bonds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	$791,600 00	$48,400 00	$743,200 00	$46,400 00	$30,830 00
PAYABLE FROM WATER REVENUE					
Water Bonds	.....	.....	27,000 00	7,000 00	998 75

RECAPITULATION

	1925 Balance	Appropriation	Transfer	Total	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Board of Selectmen	.....	$2,410 00	$400 00	$2,810 00	$2,809 11	$89 00	.....
Accounting Department	.....	1,850 00	.....	1,850 00	1,847 39	2 61	.....
Treasury Department	.....	1,375 00	.....	1,375 00	1,369 14	5 86	.....
Board of Assessors	.....	5,704 00	.....	5,704 00	5,704 00	.....	.....
Tax Collector	.....	2,750 00	.....	2,750 00	2,745 12	4 88	.....
Election and Registration	.....	1,400 00	.....	1,400 00	1,270 40	129 60	.....
Town Clerk	.....	800 00	.....	800 00	782 28	17 72	.....
Finance Committee	.....	250 00	.....	250 00	227 00	23 00	.....
Town Hall and Grounds	.....	3,325 00	300 00	3,625 00	3,624 25	75	.....
Board of Survey	.....	100 00	.....	100 00	67 29	32 71	.....
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY							
Police Department	.....	18,862 00	200 00	19,062 00	19,057 98	4 02	.....
Fire Department	.....	21,620 00	.....	21,620 00	21,406 86	213 14	.....
Fire Alarm Department	.....	1,537 00	.....	1,537 00	1,415 78	121 22	.....
Inspection Department	.....	2,500 00	.....	2,500 00	2,424 67	75 33	.....
Tree Warden	.....	1,000 00	.....	1,000 00	978 78	21 22	.....
Forest Warden	.....	145 00	.....	145 00	133 77	11 23	.....
Moth Department (public)	.....	3,000 00	.....	3,000 00	2,987 34	12 66	.....
Moth Department (private)	.....	2,000 00	.....	2,000 00	1,447 38	552 62	.....
HEALTH AND SANITATION							
Board of Health	.....	4,246 00	.....	4,246 00	4,142 29	103 71	.....
Removal of Garbage	.....	18,000 00	.....	1,800 00	1,800 00	.....	.....
CHARITIES							
Department of Public Welfare	.....	13,500 00	.....	13,500 00	11,720 34	1,779 66	.....
State Aid	.....	300 00	.....	300 00	174 00	126 00	.....
Military Aid	.....	300 00	.....	300 00	.....	300 00	.....
Soldiers' Relief	.....	500 00	19 00	519 00	524 00	.....	$5 00
HIGHWAYS							
Highway Department	.....	45,000 00	1,000 00	46,000 00	45,710 84	289 16	.....
Sidewalks	.....	13,500 00	.....	13,500 00	12,721 96	778 04	.....
Removal of Snow	.....	12,600 00	.....	12,600 00	15,928 13	.....	3,328 13
Street Lighting	.....	18,000 00	.....	18,000 00	16,166 18	1,833 82	.....
Prince Street	.....	7,000 00	.....	7,000 00	4,326 05	2,673 95	.....

RECAPITULATION—*continued*

	1925 Balance	Appropriation	Transfer	Total	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
HIGHWAYS—*Continued*							
Pinewood Road	.....	7,000 00	.....	7,000 00	4,783 10	2,216 90	.....
Central Avenue (Reconstruction)	.....	10,000 00	9,680 00	19,680 00	19,275 18	404 82	.....
Main Drains	.....	5,000 00	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	.....	.....
Birds Hill Avenue (Section No. 1)	.....	9,000 00	.....	9,000 00	208 67	8,791 33	.....
Birds Hill Avenue (Section No. 2)	.....	3,500 00	.....	3,500 00	137 84	3,362 16	.....
Great Plain Avenue Sidewalk	.....	2,500 00	.....	2,500 00	2,499 83	17	.....
Baker's Bridge	$5,000 00	.....	.....	5,000 00	.....	5,000 00	.....
EDUCATION AND LIBRARY							
School Department	.....	179,484 00	210 00	179,694 00	179,669 07	24 93	.....
Vocational Tuition	.....	2,500 00	.....	2,500 00	2,056 84	443 16	.....
New High School Building	156 03	.....	200 00	356 03	155 26	200 77	.....
Public Library	.....	6,105 00	1,566 01	7,671 01	7,670 67	34	.....
SEWER DEPARTMENT							
Construction	43,801 65	.....	737 50	44,539 15	37,715 97	6,823 18	.....
Maintenance	2,530 29	4,304 98	1,670 92	8,506 19	5,102 16	3,404 03	.....
House Connections	.....	10,000 00	6,599 61	16,599 61	7,767 11	8,832 50	.....
RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED							
Park Department	.....	2,100 00	.....	2,100 00	2,100 00	.....	.....
Memorial Day	.....	300 00	.....	300 00	231 90	68 10	.....
Unclassified	.....	12,166 75	.....	12,166 75	12,048 00	118 75	.....
Memorial Park Trustees	.....	2,000 00	.....	2,000 00	1,961 15	38 85	.....
Reserve Fund	.....	2,500 00	.....	2,500 00	2,369 00	131 00	.....
Town Planning Board	.....	400 00	.....	400 00	260 46	139 54	.....
Deficiencies 1925	.....	15,100 00	450 00	15,550 00	15,175 85	374 15	.....
Care of Soldiers Graves	.....	400 00	.....	400 00	396 59	3 41	.....
Town Nursery	.....	300 00	.....	300 00	237 68	62 32	.....
Norfolk County Hospital	.....	3,698 94	.....	3,698 94	3,698 94	.....	.....
Insurance	.....	2,600 00	.....	2,600 00	2,493 16	106 84	.....
INTEREST AND FUNDED DEBT							
Interest on Temporary Loans	.....	10,000 00	.....	10,000 00	15,084 55	.....	5,084 55
Interest on Funded Loans	.....	26,308 00	.....	26,308 00	28,433 00	.....	2,125 00
Municipal Indebtedness	.....	48,400 00	.....	48,400 00	46,275 00	2,125 00	.....
	$51,487 97	$553,041 67	$23,033 04	$627,562 68	$586,319 31	$51,786 05	$10,542 68

GASOLINE ACCOUNT 1926

Gasoline and oil charged to various departments as follows:

	Gasoline Gallons	Oil Quarts
Police	80	5
Fire	939	102
Fire Alarm	87	12
Moth	562	59
Water	1,520	5
Sewer	328	...
Inspection	219	8
Health	47	...
Highway	4,512	768
	8,294	959

WATER DEPARTMENT

Maintenance			
Earnings			
Water Rates	$40,563 84		
Repairs	842 69		
Fines	63 46		
Interest on balances	112 92		
Rent	100 00		
Cinders	12 00		
		$41,694 91	
Expenses			
Salaries			
Superintendent	$2,860 00		
Clerks	1,792 06		
Labor	4,621 49		
Stationery	209 92		
Telephones	172 27		
Auto expenses	1,580 82		
Pipe and fittings	75 10		
Meters and fittings	232 08		
Equipment and repairs	45 62		
Tools and supplies	443 68		
Lumber and cement	4 84		
Freight	95		
Liability Insurance	104 21		
Refund on Water Rates 1925	9 08		
Interest on bonds	4,440 00		
Interest on Temporary Loans	330 67		
		$16,922 79	
Pumping Station			
Engineers	$3,889 60		
Fuel	2,873 51		
Machinery repairs	1,206 83		
Station repairs	44 09		
Oil and waste	423 75		
Lights	115 39		
Power (Electric)	870 56		
Insurance	249 82		
Supplies	29 44		
		$9,702 99	
			$68,320

Construction			
Earnings			
New Services	$1,668 94		
Pipe sold	52 58		
Damages to hydrants	323 07		
Premium on Notes	24 80		
Accrued interest on notes	545 05		
Receipt sale of notes	27,000 00		
		$29,614 44	
Expenses			
Labor on services	$2,567 70		
Materials for services	5,859 87		
Labor on mains	3,104 38		
Materials for mains	12,891 25		
Trenching	2,838 09		
	$27,261 29		
Increasing and Protecting			
New Pump	2,711 70		
		29,972 99	
			$59,587 43

CASH BALANCE

Receipts			
Water Rates		$39,474 34	
Repairs		832 90	
Department		1,668 94	
Fines		63 46	
Rent		100 00	
Cinders		12 00	
Pipe and fittings		52 58	
Interest on bank balances		112 92	
Temporary loans from General Fund		12,000 00	
Damages to hydrants		323 07	
Premium on Notes		24 80	
Accrued interest on Notes		545 05	
Receipt sale of Notes		27,000 00	
Cash on hand January 1, 1926		5,472 26	
			87,682 32
Expenditures			
Maintenance		$21,846 03	
Construction		29,972 99	
Payment on loans		16,000 00	
Payment on Temporary Loans		8,000 00	
Interest on bonds		4,440 00	
Discount on notes		573 75	
Interest on loans		330 67	
Certification of notes		54 00	
Printing coupon notes		30 24	
Refund on Water Rates, 1925		9 08	
Cash on hand December 31, 1926		6,425 56	
			87,682 32

WATER DEPARTMENT TRIAL BALANCE

Cash	$6,425 56	
Water rates	5,169 90	
Repairs	426 23	
Construction	501 52	
Pledged to Construction		501 52
Revenue		92,895 64
Construction	90,873 95	
Temporary loans		10,000 00
	$103,397 16	$103,397 16

UNPAID BILLS ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1927

Board of Assessors	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	$4 45
Tax Collector's Department	
Henry Godfrey, Jr.	700 10
Police Department	
Modern Garage	30 91
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	20 65
Edison Electric Illuminating Co.	30 52
W. W. Hewett	2 44
Catherine Murphy	4 00
Fire Department	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	3 33
Fire Alarm Department	
R. W. LeBaron	7 50
Moth Department	
George Twigg	32 00
Inspection Department	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	4 43
Board of Health	
City of Revere	92 00
Norfolk County Hospital	139 10
Removal of Snow	
Frederick L. Diehl	9 45
J. H. Fitzgerald	166 75
Public Library	
George W. Southworth	2 25
New England Tel. & Tel.Co.	3 60
John Lawson	9 14
T. J. Crossman Co., Inc.	2 30
Sewer Department. Maintenance	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	2 33
Lawson's Express	35
School Department	
Edison Electric Illumination Co.	169 66
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	49 91
Needham Water Department	238 82
Street Lighting	
Edison Electric Illumination Co.	1,722 58
Department of Public Welfare	
Deficiencies, 1926 (Approx.)	1,000 00
	$4,448 57

Respectfully submitted

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TOWN OF NEEDHAM

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

FOR THE YEAR 1926

NEWTON
GARDEN CITY PRESS, INC.
1927

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The radical changes in land values in the business district together with the increase of new buildings and also the increased values of the older buildings resulted in a gain of $1,784,962 in valuation over the previous year. In gaining this amount it was reflected in the reduction in the tax rate.

The office work in the past consisted of placing the valuations, writing the poll list, the valuation book and the Tax Collector's books. All this work at the present time has more than doubled. In addition we have the street, sidewalk, and sewer betterment taxes and the automobile tax.

In 1926 we asked for $1,000 for the Block System, but only were allowed $500 for this work. In 1913 the first appropriation of $500 was made for Block plans and continued for four years. It can readily be seen that $1,000 is not excessive when one considers the cost of production is practically 100% more than it was ten years ago. It is a scientific method of levying assessments, enabling the Assessors to do their work more intelligently and assuring the assessment of every parcel of real estate. The plans are drawn to scale, and indicate the exact location, area, and boundaries of all the estates which at present constitute the Town of Needham. For the next few years an appropriation of $1,000 each year would be far more economical in order to get the work well established; thereafter every year a smaller amount would continue the work until completed.

Blanks may be obtained at the Assessors' office in the matter of local tax returns. They may be filed at any time between April 1st and May 15th inclusive. To avoid mistakes they should be made before a Member of the Board of Assessors whenever it is possible to do so. In case no return is made the duty of fixing the valuation is thus placed upon the Assessors.

The hours at the Town Hall are 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. A member of the Board and Miss Annie L. Hamilton assistant clerk are in the office during these hours unless called away by special outside work. All members of the Board meet one evening a week at present Tuesday evenings from 7.30 p.m. until 9 p.m. Appointments may be made by letter, or telephone Needham 0180.

CHARLES W. WOODBURY,
ARTHUR H. GODFREY,
GEORGE W. HOLT,
Board of Assessors.

RECAPITULATION

AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION

Town Appropriations	$524,842 73
Overlay deficit for the year, 1925	72 04
State Assessments	28,946 48
State tax	26,760 00
County Assessments	3,698 94
County tax	22,316 91
Overlay (of current year)	9,985 37
Total	$616,622 47

Estimated Receipts

Income tax	$34,397 18
Corporation tax	11,000 00
Bank tax	800 00
Licenses	450 00
Fines	1,400 00
Special assessments	7,000 00
General government	600 00
Protection of persons and property	2,000 00
Health and sanitation	500 00
Charities	5,000 00
Schools	2,500 00
Libraries	300 00
Interest on deposit	2,500 00
Interest on taxes and assessments	4,500 00
All other	10,000 00
Total estimated receipts	$82,947 18
Net amount raised by taxation on polls and property	$533,675 29
Number of polls—2,682 at $2.00 each	5,364 00
Total valuation $17,476,805. Tax rate $29.70 Property tax	519,073 32
Additional betterment and special assessments (outside the taxes levied on property at the tax rate) as follows:	
Sidewalk and Street betterment tax receipts	7,114 16
Moth	1,447 38
Total amount of all taxes listed in the collector's commitment list	532,998 86
Tax on Water land committed to Treasurer	676 43
	$533,675 29

Number of horses assessed	83	
Number of cows assessed	145	
Number of neat cattle assessed	2	
Number of swine assessed	79	
Number of fowl assessed	4,855	
Number of houses assessed	2,123	
Number of acres of land assessed	7,576	
Gain in valuation of Real and Personal estate over 1925		$1,784,962 00
Salaries		3,000 00
Clerk		1,144 00
Tax Collector's books		63 75
Stationery and Office supplies		138 36
Printing and advertising		75 88
Abstracts		194 94
Poll list books		329 20
Transportation		188 50
Telephone		56 87
Auto Valuation book		12 50
Block Plans		500 00
		$5,704 00
Appropriations	$5,704 00	

Omitted and Additional Assessments

Under Chapter 59, Section 75, General Laws

Value of real estate	$19,300	Tax	$573 21
Value of Personal estate	1,475	Tax	43 82
Value of polls			134 00
Moth			5 50
Street and Sidewalk Betterment			382 32
			$1,138 85

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TOWN OF NEEDHAM

REPORT

OF THE

FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO THE TOWN

AT THE

ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 15, 1926

ELECTION, MARCH 8

BUSINESS MEETING, MARCH 15, AT 7.30 O'CLOCK

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REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Needham:

In presenting the following report your Committee has sought to make as complete an analysis of the Town's financial program as can be given at this time. At the adjourned Town Meeting of March 16, 1925, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved: That the Finance Committee should submit to the next annual Town Meeting a schedule of expenditures for the year which would be met by a tax rate of not more than thirty dollars ($30) per thousand, with the Committee's recommendations as to this schedule.

Your Committee has considered this resolution in all its work, and has come to the conclusion that the best interests of the Town will not be served by following it too closely. It would probably be possible, by not appropriating this year an amount greater than was appropriated in 1925, to reduce the tax rate to $30. Your Committee believes, however, that in its recommendations as to requested appropriations and special articles that the safe limit of reduction has been reached. The natural increase in expenditures on account of the growth of the Town and the need of determining upon a sound policy for financing the new sewerage system, together with certain other items as described later in this report, make it essential to increase the total to be appropriated by about $13,500.

Last year about $516,725 was raised by taxation at a rate of $32 per $1,000. Assuming no change in the ratio that has existed for several years between State and County taxes and the Town's receipts outside of taxes, and that the increase in valuation this year will be not less than $1,500,000, the estimated amount to be raised by taxation this year, which is based upon the recommendations contained in this report, would be covered by a rate of about $31 per $1,000, which is $1.00 less than the 1925 rate.

It will be realized, of course, that the above figure represents only an estimate, and in order to keep the tax rate at

this level it has been necessary for the Committee to recommend many reductions, some of them drastic, in the appropriations requested by the various departments. The Committee has also been obliged to advise against certain special articles, recommending only those that are in its opinion the most urgent and of greatest benefit to the Town.

RECOMMENDATIONS ON ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT

ARTICLE 1. Ballot referendum: Shall an act passed by the General Court in 1924 entitled "An Act placing the Chief of Police and members of the Police Department of the Town of Needham under civil service" be accepted?

Recommended: That the provisions of this act be accepted.

ARTICLE 4. To see what action the Town will take relative to unexpended balances and deficiencies of 1925.

Recommended: That all unexpended balances of 1925 be returned to the Treasury, except the balance of $2,530.29 of the Sewerage Committee's appropriation and the $5,000 appropriated for the Charles River Street bridge, and that these be carried over to 1926. Deducting these two items, unexpended balances total $12,670.60.

Deficiencies and overdrafts of 1925 total $12,397.43 (increase over 1924 of $5,611.13). Of this amount the Committee can recommend approval of only $3,180.53, which represent liabilities incurred in 1925 against balances to be returned to the Treasury, as to do otherwise would be to recommend legalizing an illegal act. According to latest reports, liabilities (represented by unpaid bills in the hands of the Town Accountant) incurred in excess of 1925 appropriations are as follows: Tax Collector, $322.48; Assessors, $112.64; Town Clerk, $9.19; Town Hall, $110.70; Highway Department, $1,684.38*; Snow Removal, $135.03 (including overdraft of $95.57); Schools, $561.82; Vocational Tuition, $323.02; Library, $15.79; Insurance, $293.64; Interest on Temporary Loans, $5,079.33 (overdraft); Unclassified, $568.88.

In this connection it should be pointed out that the appropriations for Tax Collector, Vocational Tuition, and Temporary Interest can only be estimated at the time of the annual Town Meeting (see Art. 6 under these items). Chapter 44, Section 31, of the General Laws reads as follows:

> "No department of any city or town, except Boston, shall incur liability in excess of the appropriations made for the use of such department, except in cases of extreme emergency involving health or safety of persons or property, and then only by a vote in a city of two-thirds of the members of the city council, and in a town by a vote of two-thirds of the selectmen."

* See also recommendations under 1926 unclassified appropriation, Art. 6.

ARTICLE 5. To see what disposition the Town will make of the money received from dog licenses.

Recommended: That this money, $992.30, be appropriated for the use of the Public Library.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sums of money the Town will appropriate for the necessary Town charges and expenses.

Recommended: That the sum* of **$492,439.69** be appropriated as follows:

Board of Selectmen, $2,410. To include salaries of board, $450; clerk, $1,560 (increase of $260 over 1925); expenses, $300; relief-funds clerk, $100.

Accounting Department, $1,850. To include salary, $1,700; expenses, $150. Same as in 1925.

Treasurer, $1,375. To include salary of Treasurer and clerks, $1,000; bond, $125; expenses, $250. Same as in 1925.

Finance Committee, $250. For printing and distributing reports. Decrease of $51.40 from 1925.

Tax Collector, $2,750. To include estimated salary and bond, $2,500 (increase of $200 over 1925); office equipment, $250 (increase of $150 over 1925 for new adding machine). The Collector's salary can only be estimated, as it is based upon collections (see Art. 9).

Assessors, $5,704. To include salaries of board, $3,000 (same as in 1925); clerk, $1,144 (increase of $104 over 1925); expenses, $1,060 (increase of $100 over 1925); block-plan maps, $500 (new item). Total increase over 1925 is $704, which is $596 less than was requested. In recommending $500 for maps, the Committee feels that it will enable this important work to be started this year, and that a more exact idea of the cost next year can thus be obtained.

Town Clerk, $800. To include salary and fees, $650 (same as in 1925); expenses, $150 (increase of $100 over 1925 for loose-leaf equipment).

Election and Registration, $1,400. To include salaries of board, $300 (same as in 1925); expenses, $1,100 (increase of $335 over 1925 on account of additional elections).

Board of Survey, $100. For advertising, maps, and supplies. Same as in 1925.

Town Hall and Grounds, $3,325. To include janitor, $1,560 (same as in 1925); extra labor, $130 (decrease of $270 from 1925); fuel and water, $710; police service, $100; supplies and repairs, $700; connecting with sewer, $125. The total represents a decrease of $1,126.68 from 1925, and is $770 less than requested. The Committee does not approve an item of $500 for additional granolithic work.

* This total does not include appropriations to be considered under special articles.

Police Department, $18,862. To include salaries, $16,941 (increase of $2,317 over 1925); equipment and maintenance, $1,921 (decrease of $445 from 1925, making net increase for department, $1,862).

This provides for Chief at $2,385 (increase of $149); five men at $2,000 (increase of $128) two men at $1,828 (increase of $144); special service, $900 (increase of $500 in amount to save putting on another permanent man). This brings police salaries to level of surrounding towns.

The department requests $19,362, but with raise in pay the Committee does not approve an item of $300 for uniforms, and believes that $200 more can be cut from maintenance items.

Fire Department, $22,807. To include salaries, $17,770 (increase of $1,645 over 1925); maintenance and equipment, $3,500 (decrease of $1,400 from 1925); fire alarm system, $1,537 (decrease of $328 from 1925, making net decrease for department, $83).

This provides for two Fire Engineers at $175 each (same as in 1925); Chief at $2,100 (which with $100 as Forest Warden and $400 as Building Inspector makes Chief's salary $2,600, same as in 1925); one Lieutenant at $2,150 (increase of $150); five permanent men at $2,000 (increase of $128 each); Combination and Engine call men, $2,120 (same as in 1925); Ladder call men, $875 (increase of $25 for each of seven men); Hose-company call men, $175 (same as in 1925).

In disapproving an increase of $200 in the Chief's salary, the Committee feels that the difference of $364 which existed in his salary in 1925 as compared with that of the Chief of Police should not be continued (as recommended it will still be $215 higher). The increases for the permanent men correspond to those recommended for the police.

The recommendation for maintenance and equipment is $500 less than was requested, but the Committee believes that, with economy, $3,500 (which includes $450 for sewer connections) will be sufficient.

Forest Warden, $145. To include salary, $100; expenses, $45. Same as in 1925.

Town Trees, $1,300. This amount (decrease of $200 from 1925) to be divided as follows:

Tree Warden's Department, $1,000. To include salary, labor, tools, supplies, etc. Decrease of $500 from 1925.

Town Nursery, $300. New item; to be considered under Art. 44.

Inspection Department, $2,500. To include salaries of inspectors of buildings, plumbing, wiring, cattle, weights and measures, $2,350 (increase of $100 over 1925 for plumbing inspections due to cesspool regulations); advertising and other expenses, $150 (decrease of $100 from 1925, making total appropriation same as in 1925.) This is $100 less than was requested.

Moth Department, $5,000. This amount (decrease of $1,934.64 from 1925) is to be divided as follows:

Public Work, $3,000. To include salaries, labor, supplies, and equipment. While the State may assign a higher quota for moth suppression,

and the local department requests $700 more than is recommended, it does not seem necessary, on account of improved conditions, to appropriate more than is sufficient to cover estimated expenses.

Private Work, $2,000. Same as in 1925. This provides for moth suppression on private property, and the cost will be charged on the tax bills to the owners. While $1,000 more was requested for this purpose, it seems unnecessary, as above, to appropriate more than $2,000.

Health and Sanitation, $5,746. This amount (decrease of $634 from 1925) is to be divided as follows:

Board of Health, $4,246. To include salary and transportation of agent, $1,800; hospital cases, $1,460; expenses of clinic room, $236; incidentals, $100; care of public dumps, $300 (new item); salary of public-health nurse to April 1, 1926, $350. Decrease in total appropriation of $334 from 1925.

A total of $6,536 (increase of $1,956 over 1925), of which $2,272 is for the public-health nurse and $200 for doctor's services, is requested by the Board of Health. Your Committee has considered this question in detail, and believes that last year's trial of the public-health nurse has shown that this service is not needed by the Town, at least at present, and perhaps not for several years. The Committee does not question the efficiency and ability of the present nurse, who has made an excellent record in all that she has undertaken. With the District Nurse, the School Nurse, and the Life-Insurance Nurse, it would seem that the needs of the Town were adequately met in this respect. The Committee therefore recommends the discontinuance of this experiment.

In recommending $300 for the care of public dumps, for which $468 was requested, the Committee feels that sufficient is provided to inaugurate this service for the balance of the year.

Removal of Garbage, $1,500. The Selectmen request $2,100 for this purpose (increase of $300 over 1925). It is the opinion of the Committee that, if the contract is advertised for bids, efficient service can be obtained for the amount recommended, $1,500 (decrease of $300 from 1925).

Charities, $14,600. This amount (decrease of $1,380 from 1925) is to be divided as follows:

Department of Public Welfare, $13,500. To include agent's salary, supplies, allowances, medical care, etc. Decrease of $1,500 from 1925.

Other Allowances, $1,100. To include State Aid, $300 (increase of $100 over 1925); Military Aid, $300 (increase of $20 over 1925); Soldiers' Relief, $500 (same as in 1925).

Highways, $110,000. This amount (decrease of $22,000 from 1925) is to be divided as follows:

General Appropriation, $45,000. While the sum of $62,600 is requested this year, the Committee feels strongly, after careful investigation and comparison with neighboring towns, that the general highway appropriation should not be increased over last year's figures ($50,000). With proper

TABLE FOR COMPARISON OF 1926 RECOMMENDATIONS WITH APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENSES OF 1924 AND 1925

Department	Appropriations and Transfers, 1924	Expenses, including Deficiencies, 1924	Appropriations and Transfers, 1925	Expenses, Including Deficiencies, 1925	Amount Requested, 1926	Amount Recommended, 1926	Change from 1925[5]
Selectmen	$1,541 55	$1,558 82	$2,150 00	$2,117 50	$2,410 00	**$2,410 00**	+$260 00
Accounting	1,850 00	1,841 25	1,850 00	1,821 85	1,850 00	**1,850 00**	None
Treasurer	1,000 00	1,018 28	1,375 00	1,344 29	1,375 00	**1,375 00**	None
Finance Committee	342 60	342 60	301 40	301 40	250 00	**250 00**	—51 40
Tax Collection	2,200 00	2,388 92	2,400 00	2,722 48	2,750 00	**2,750 00**	+350 00
Assessors	5,620 00	5,549 27	5,000 00	5,112 64	6,300 00	**5,704 00**	+704 00
Town Clerk	700 00	694 83	700 00	709 19	800 00	**800 00**	+100 00
Election and Registration	1,500 00	1,522 15	1,065 00	707 13	1,400 00	**1,400 00**	+335 00
Board of Survey	100 00	33 57	100 00	96 29	100 00	**100 00**	None
Town Hall	15,301 44	14,363 96	4,451 68	4,562 38	4,095 00	**3,325 00**	—1,126 68
Police Department	14,124 00	14,316 48	17,000 00	16,484 96	19,362 00	**18,862 00**	+1,862 00
Fire Department	20,298 00	20,113 41	22,890 00	22,770 33	23,507 00	**22,807 00**	—83 00
Forest Warden	145 00	139 79	145 00	130 40	145 00	**145 00**	None
Town Trees	1,500 00	1,491 67	1,500 00	1,484 18	1,300 00	**1,300 00**	—200 00
Inspection Department	2,050 00	2,135 25	2,500 00	2,377 73	2,600 00	**2,500 00**	None
Moth Department	7,934 64	4,805 19	6,934 64	4,374 62	6,700 00	**5,000 00**	—1,934 64
Health and Sanitation	4,875 00	4,306 33	6,380 00	6,267 74	8,636 00	**5,746 00**	—634 00
Charities	16,900 00	15,424 37	15,980 00	14,890 38	14,600 00	**14,600 00**	—1,380 00
Highways, General	50,000 00	50,790 81	50,000 00	51,684 38	62,600 00	**45,000 00**	—5,000 00
Highways, Special	23,201 72	23,195 83	32,500 00	31,480 21	33,500 00[3]	**17,500 00**	—15,000 00
Highways, Sidewalks	15,000 00	15,258 87	20,000 00	18,802 41	20,000 00	**13,500 00**	—6,500 00

Highways, Snow Removal	8,500 00	8,581 97	8,500 00	8,635 03	11,000 00	**11,000 00**	+2,500 00
Highways, Lighting	11,400 00	10,848 02	16,000 00	15,506 39	20,000 00	**18,000 00**	+2,000 00
Highways, Bridges	.....	.....	5,000 00	.....	5,000 00	**5,000 00**	None
Education	168,911 00[1]	170,300 33	172,413 00	173,297 86	182,194 00	**182,194 00**	+9,781 00
Public Library	7,006 00	7,020 21	7,056 00	7,071 79	7,671 00	**7,074 00**	+18 00
Parks	3,650 00	3,714 79	4,942 51	4,921 53	3,150 00	**3,150 00**	—1,792 51
Sewer Board	2,000 00	108 70	5,891 30	3,486 01	19,830 29	**19,830 29**	+13,938 99
Water Board	.....	.....	5,000 00	3,777 05	.....	.....	—5,000 00
Planning Board	1,550 00	1,040 54	592 88	543 53	400 00	**400 00**	—192 88
Norfolk County Hospital	4,106 14	4,106 14	3,193 66	3,193 66	3,698 94	**3,698 94**	+505 28
Memorial Day and G. A. R.	450 00	328 94	1,372 50[2]	1,349 11	300 00	**300 00**	—1,072 50
Insurance	4,800 00	4,865 52	4,150 00	4,443 64	2,600 00	**2,600 00**	—1,550 00
Interest on Temporary Loans	10,000 00	10,810 45	9,000 00	14,079 33	10,000 00	**10,000 00**	+1,000 00
Interest on Funded Loans	25,609 00	25,609 00	24,066 00	26,782 66	26,308 00	**26,308 00**	+2,242 00
Municipal Indebtedness	41,157 20	41,157 20	43,400 00	43,400 00	48,400 00	**48,400 00**	+5,000 00
Unclassified	3,180 00	2,769 29	3,607 76	4,176 64	12,516 75	**12,166 75**	+8,558 99
Reserve Fund	2,500 00	1,094 15	2,500 00	2,016 66	2,500 00	**2,500 00**	None
Deficiencies and Overdrafts	15,650 00	.....	6,786 30	.....	12,397 43	**12,397 43**[4]	+5,611 13
Totals	$496,653 29	$473,646 90	$518,694 63	$506,923 38	$582,246 41	**$531,943 41**	+$13,248 78

[1] Includes an appropriation of $20,000 to complete the new High School.

[2] Includes an appropriation of $1,000 to provide permanent care of G. A. R. lot in cemetery.

[3] Figures are incomplete on account of Arts. 13, 15, and 20.

[4] See recommendations under Art. 5.

[5] In this column, the + sign indicates an increase over the corresponding amount in 1925, and the — sign indicates a decrease.

attention to economy and the working out of a definite plan of procedure, this amount should insure a highway program that will meet reasonable needs.

It was recommended by the Finance Committee last year, and indorsed by the Town as evidenced by the dismissal of certain special articles, that part of the general highway appropriation should be used for the construction of drains on specified streets. The Committee reaffirms this principle, but recommends that this year the general highway appropriation be set at $45,000, and that $5,000 be appropriated under Art. 19, as recommended below.

Special Appropriations, $17,500. To be considered under Arts. 11, 13, 15, 18, 19, and 20.

Such appropriations, however, represent part of the Town's highway program, and should be considered in relation to the appropriations under Art. 6. In considering the highway program this year, the Committee has been handicapped by there being no figures available, at the time of this report, as to the cost of the proposals under Arts. 13, 15, and 20. Art. III, Section 2, of the By-Laws provides that "All streets to be accepted by the Town must be petitioned for not later than Nov. 1, previous to the annual March meeting." The Committee believes this to be a wise provision and that one important reason for it is that information as to the cost shall thus be available in time for adequate consideration. The Committee believes that there is no excuse why such information is not now available under Art. 13. Streets to be built under the Betterment Act (see Arts. 11, 13, and 15) have a considerable effect upon the tax rate in the year in which they are voted, and should therefore be carefully considered.

Sidewalks, $13,500. To include $10,000 (decrease of $5,000 from 1925) for construction under the Betterment Act, and $3,500 (decrease of $1,500 for general construction and repairs, which, with the $2,500 recommended under Art. 20, makes the total for general construction $6,000 (increase of $1,000 over 1925). In planning the sidewalk program, the Committee recommends that first consideration be given this year to applications on file, some of which date back several years. The Committee does not believe that an extensive program of building sidewalks on non-assessable Town property constitutes a proper interpretation of the Town's wishes in making appropriations for betterment construction.

Snow Removal, $11,000. Increase of $2,500 over 1925, principally on account of February storms. The Committee feels that the results this year have proved that the Town's equipment is adequate, and does not approve of expenditures for additional equipment.

Street Lighting, $18,000. Increase of $2,000 over 1925, principally on account of full year of all-night lighting schedule. It has been suggested that, by increasing last year's appropriation $4,000, lamps of greater candle power could be installed. The Committee recommends that this question be postponed until the negotiation of the new contract two years hence.

Bridges, $5,000. Carrying over of this amount from the 1925 appropriation for the Charles River Street bridge was recommended under Art. 4.

Education, $182,194. This amount (increase of $9,781 over 1925) is to be divided as follows:

School Department, $179,694. To be met by an appropriation of $179,484 plus the income ($210) of the Dwight School Fund.

To be distributed as follows: Administration, $5,931 (increase of $481 over 1925); instruction, $123,820 (increase of $9,445); books and supplies, $8,888 (increase of $1,500); maintenance, repairs, and new equipment, $31,600 (decrease of $4,550); school physicians and nurse, $2,450 (increase of $150); transportation of pupils, $3,505 (increase of $705); miscellaneous, $2,000 (increase of $550); sewer connections, $1,500. Net increase over 1925 is $9,781, which, in general, is due to increases in the number of pupils and teachers, to slight increases in salary scales, to greater cost of transportation of pupils, and to connecting the school buildings with the sewer.

Vocational Tuition, $2,500. Same as in 1925. The State reimburses the Town for one-half of this amount, which is only estimated.

Public Library, $7,074. To be met by appropriating $5,508, the income ($573.70) from the Barr and Greenwood Fund, and the money from dog licenses ($992.30), as recommended under Art. 5. The total represents an increase of $18 over 1925, but in the interest of economy is $597 less than was requested.

Parks, $3,150. This amount (decrease of $1,792.51 from 1925) is to be divided as follows:

Park Commissioners, $1,150. Same as in 1925; to cover upkeep of public parks and improvement of Noyes Park.

Memorial Park, $2,000. To include upkeep of football field, finishing up track and baseball field, sewer connection of Legion home, and general care of Park. Decrease of $1,792.51 from 1925.

Sewer Board, $19,830.29. To be met by an appropriation of $17,300 and the carrying over of the balance of $2,530.29 from 1925, as recommended under Art. 4. To be divided as follows: Maintenance of local system, $6,530.29 (increase of $638.99 over 1925); Metropolitan bond requirements, $9,700; Metropolitan maintenance requirements, $3,600. Net increase over 1925 is $13,938.99.

The Metropolitan bond and maintenance requirements are charges, based upon population, that become operative as soon as the local system is connected to the Metropolitan system. These payments represent the cost to the Town for sewage disposal in lieu of operating a local disposal plant, the total cost of which would probably be much higher than joining the Metropolitan system. (See also Arts. 33 and 34.)

Planning Board, $400. To include general expenses, $125 (decrease of $25 from 1925); bringing maps up to date and printing same for distribution, $175 (decrease of $267.88 from 1925); survey of traffic conditions, $100 (new). Net decrease from 1925 is $192.88.

The Committee indorses the traffic survey, believing that in the future

the Town will thus have definite information upon which to base decisions upon proposed programs involving street widenings or relocation of main traffic arteries.

Norfolk County Hospital, $3,698.94. This amount (increase of $505.28 over 1925) is determined by the County.

Memorial Day Observance, $300. Increase of $2.50 over 1925.

Insurance, $2,600. For insurance of municipal buildings (decrease of $1,550 from 1925).

Interest on Temporary Loans, $10,000. This amount can only be estimated, but the attention of the Town is called to the fact that, under our present system of assessment and collection, nearly the entire amount appropriated annually has to be borrowed in anticipation of taxes. The amount recommended for this purpose is $1,000 more than was appropriated in 1925, but is $4,079.33 less than was actually expended for this purpose last year.

Interest on Funded Loans, $26,308. This amount represents the interest obligations of the Town on its bonded indebtedness. It is an increase of $2,242 over the 1925 appropriation, but is actually $474.66 less than was spent for this purpose last year.

Municipal Indebtedness, $48,400. To meet bonds maturing in 1926. Increase of $5,000 over 1925, on account of first payment on Sewer Loan. The Town's bonded indebtedness, as of Jan. 1, 1926, stands at $791,600, of which $617,000 is outside and $174,600 is inside the Town's debt limit of $421,139.68.

Unclassified, $12,166.75. To include Town reports, $2,110; dog officer, $25; certification of notes, $60; engineering fees, $300; legal fees, $750; miscellaneous, $100; personal damage awards, $50; damage awards on account of widening Great Plain Avenue, $8,203; damage awards on account of relocation of Great Plain Avenue at Bond's Corner, $568.75. The total represents an increase over 1925 of $8,558.99, which is due chiefly to damage awards in widening Great Plain Avenue. Such charges represent logically an item of the construction cost of the enterprise, but by State ruling are made part of unclassified expenditures. The awards have been made, and the money must therefore be appropriated.

Reserve Fund, $2,500. Same as in 1925, to provide for emergencies and to be expended only with the approval of the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the current financial year.

Recommended: That the substance of this article be adopted.

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the Town will take relative to the salaries of its Town officers.

Recommended: That the salaries of all elected Town officers be the same as in 1925.

ARTICLE 9. To see in what manner the Town will have its taxes collected and fix the compensation thereof for the current year.

Recommended: That the taxes be collected in the same manner as in 1925, and that the compensation be at the same rate; namely, ½% of the tax warrant, payable as and when collected, same to include all expenses except payment of the Collector's bond.

ARTICLES 10-11. To see if the Town will accept Prince Street from Great Plain Avenue to Harris Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk (Art. 10), and appropriate $8,500 for this construction (Art. 11).

Recommended: That these articles be referred to the next annual Town Meeting, since the application was not filed in accordance with Town By-Laws (see Special Highway Appropriations, Art. 6).

ARTICLES 12-13. To see if the Town will accept Birds Hill Avenue from Great Plain Avenue to Morningside Road, so-called, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk (Art. 12), and to see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for this construction (Art. 13).

Recommended: That these articles be referred to the next annual Town Meeting. While the application for this street was filed in accordance with Town By-Laws, through no fault of the petitioners no information as to the cost is available at the time of this report (see Special Highway Appropriations, Art. 6). The Committee is therefore obliged to make the above recommendation at this time.

ARTICLES 14-15. To see if the Town will accept Warren Street from May Street to Kingsbury Street, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk (Art. 14), and to see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for this construction (Art. 15).

Recommended: That these articles be referred to the next annual Town Meeting, since no figures are available at this time (see Special Highway Appropriations, Art. 6), and application was not filed in accordance with Town By-Laws.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to relocate, alter, and widen Nehoiden Street from Great Plain Avenue to Central Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk, or take any action relative thereto.

Recommended: That this article be referred to the next annual Town Meeting. Owing to conflict of opinion as to the exact status of the proposed relocation and to the fact that it was not advanced in sufficient time to permit adequate consideration, the Committee does not at this

time feel that the best interests of the Town will be conserved by an immediate decision.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to relocate, alter, and widen Highland Avenue and Hunnewell Street at their intersection, as laid out by the Selectmen and according to a plan on file with the Town Clerk.

Recommended: That the substance of this article be adopted, with the understanding that only legal relocation of existing street lines is involved.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $15,000 for the construction of Central Avenue, provided the County or the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, allot an amount equal to one-half this appropriation for said construction, or take any action relative thereto.

Recommended: That the sum of $10,000 (same as in 1925) be appropriated under this article (see also Highway Appropriations, Art. 6), provided the County and the Department of Public Works will allot an equal amount.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $10,000 for the construction of main drains, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Recommended: That the sum of $5,000 instead of $10,000 be appropriated under this article (see also Highway Appropriations, Art. 6). The Committee feels that $5,000 is sufficient to undertake urgent new construction.

ARTICLE 20. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for the construction of a gravel sidewalk on Great Plain Avenue from Prince Street to Greendale Avenue, or take any action relating thereto.

Recommended: That $2,500 be appropriated under this article to start construction this year (see also Sidewalks, Art. 6).

ARTICLES 21-27. To see if the Town will authorize its Selectmen to install certain street lights on specified streets.

Recommended: That the substance of these articles be adopted, with the exception that under Art. 26, two lights instead of four be authorized, and under Art. 27, one light instead of five be authorized.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 97 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws relative to the establishing of a police department.

Recommended: That the provisions of this act be accepted. The Committee believes it to be desirable from a legal point of view for the Town to do so.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee of five to investigate the desirability of establishing a Public Works Department, and report at the next special Town Meeting, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Recommended: That the substance of this article be adopted.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IV of the By-Laws by adding thereto the following section: "Section 1A. No person shall own or keep in this town any dog which by biting, barking, howling or in any other manner disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person."

Recommended: That this article be dismissed. In the opinion of the Committee it is not desirable to add to the By-Laws questions already covered by General Laws.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IV, Section 13, of its By-Laws by striking out the first sentence and substituting in the place thereof the following: "Every owner, tenant, occupant or agent in charge of a building or lot of land abutting upon a sidewalk constructed of tar or granolithic in any street, place or way, shall cause the snow to be removed from such sidewalk within twenty-four hours after such snow has ceased to fall."

Recommended: That this article be dismissed. The Committee believes that, at present, the By-Laws are adequate under normal conditions.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to elect by ballot a Board of Health consisting of three members in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 1, of the General Laws.

Recommended: That the substance of this article be adopted.

ARTICLE 33. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for the construction of particular sewers and house connections.

Recommended: That the sum of $10,000 be appropriated under this article. Sewer regulations require that the cost of particular sewers (the connection between a house and the Town system) and house connections be paid in advance of construction. This article simply legalizes the use of this money paid into the Treasury for this specific purpose.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to have receipts from sewer assessments and payments made in lieu thereof kept in a separate fund, no part of said fund to be expended except by vote of the Town, or pass any vote or votes relative to said receipts and payments.

Recommended: That the substance of this article be adopted. These payments represent a return to the Town of construction costs, and the Committee is of the opinion that they should properly be used for further construction. Other use of these payments would result in an unnecessary increase in the Town's bonded indebtedness. The plan upon which the sewer system was presented to the Town and voted upon in May, 1925, contemplated this use of the assessments and the appropriation of maintenance charges from the tax levy. (See also Sewer Board, Art. 6.)

ARTICLES 35-36. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $15,000 to extend the water mains, under a six- per-cent ten-year guarantee to the property being developed as follows: Oak Hill by the McIntosh heirs, Tower Hill by W. H. Carter, and Babson Park, by the Babson Park Company (Art. 35), and to issue notes or bonds to an amount not exceeding $15,000 (Art. 36).

Recommended: That the substance of these articles be adopted. The principal and interest will be met from Water Department earnings.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote in favor of placing the Revolutionary Soldiers' lot in the Needham Cemetery under "Perpetual Care," and appropriate the sum of $2,000 for this purpose.

Recommended: That this article be referred to the next annual Town Meeting. The Committee approves the purpose, but feels that this is one item that can be postponed in the interests of economy.

ARTICLES 38-43. To see if the Town will make certain specified changes in the Zoning By-Law.

Recommended: That favorable action be taken on Art. 38 (change on Pickering Street from general residence to business) and on Art. 40 (providing a three-foot setback in business districts), as recommended by the Planning Board.

The Committee indorses the position of the Planning Board relative to Art. 39 (change on Chestnut Street from business to general residence), Art. 41 (change at Hurd's Corner from single residence to business), and Art. 42 (change at Junction R. R. Station from single residence to business); namely, that the By-Law has not been in effect long enough to warrant making changes this year.

While the Planning Board has not yet made a recommendation as to Art. 43, (Change at Cedar and Webster Streets from single residence to general residence), the Committee recommends no change, as in Arts. 39, 41, and 42, at this time. In general, it is of the opinion, however, that as soon as the Zoning By-Law has been in effect a sufficient length of time to make its operations apparent, the Town should be guided in future changes by the wishes expressed by the residents of the district affected.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $300 for the establishment of a Town nursery under the charge of a committee of three to be appointed by the Selectmen for the purpose of the propagation and growth of shade trees.

Recommended: That the sum of $300 be appropriated. The plan will, in a few years, furnish an adequate supply of trees for planting purposes.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to have the reports of its officers, the proceedings of this and subsequent Town Meetings printed, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

Recommended: That these reports be printed and distributed in the same manner as in 1925.

Respectfully submitted,

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